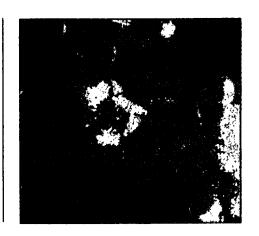


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Hancock Library Story Hours on spring break

Due to the Easter spring break holiday, there will be no children's story hours at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library or the Kiln Public Library. Story hours will resume the week of April 8. For individual branch story hour information, contact Adrienne Bradley, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library, 467-5282; or Sandra Ladner, Kiln Public Library, 255-1724.

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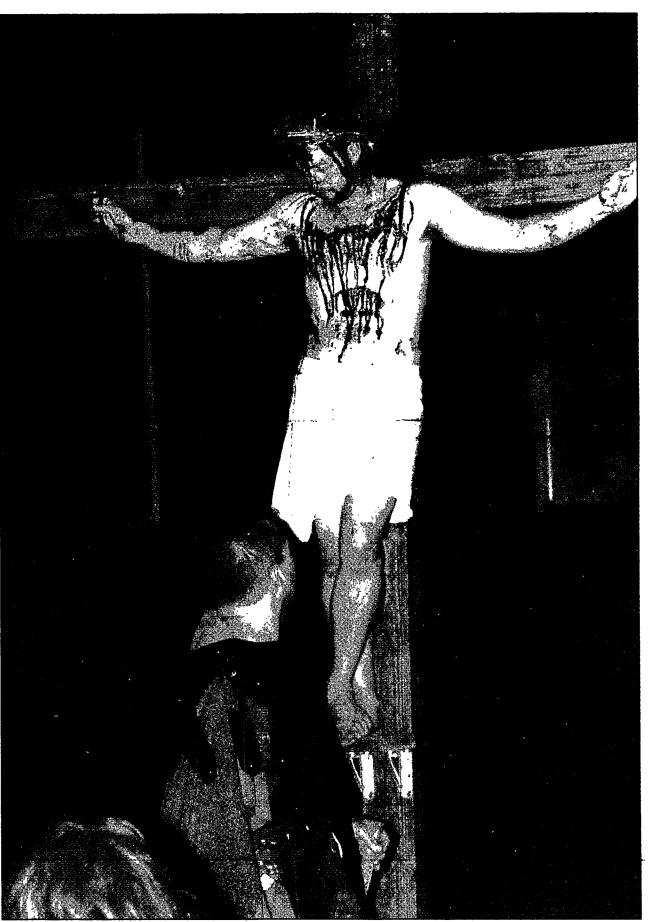
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'He died for our sins'



Echo staff photo by Geoff Belcher Church-goers reenact the Crucifixion drama on Good Friday at First Baptist Church on Main St. in Bay St.

Casino World appeal dismissed

MS Supreme Court refuses to hear opponents' remarks

> BY ED LEPOMA **Staff Writer**

he Mississippi Supreme Court has refused to reconsider opponents' appeal against the Casino World project proposed in Hancock County.

A coalition of citizen and environmentalist groups had asked the justices to rehear a decision handed down by the Supreme Court in September of 2000. That decision agreed with an earlier decision by Circuit Court Judge J. Randall Jr., who ruled the state Department of Marine Resources acted within its authority when it granted a permit to the casino project planned at the south end of the Diamondhead exit off Interstate 10.

The motion to reconsider was filed by

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Reserve Bay P.D. officer charged with child's rape

ECHO STAFF REPORT

A Bay St. Louis Police Department reserve officer was arrested last week on grounds that he allegedly "fondled and had sexual intercourse with a 13-year old female," according to a statement released by the Police officer



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Second man facing jail over health violations

BY ED LEPOMA **Staff Writer**

Louis, as part of the church's Easter celebration.

A second Hancock County resident is facing charges for refusing to hook up to the county's sewerage system.

Pansy Maddox, supervising environmentalist with the regional office of the Mississippi Health Department, confirmed this week she has instructed the local Health Hancock County Department to file an affidavit against Chris Salisbury of Shoreline Park He had already been given 30 days notice to hook up to the sewerage system and the deadline has passed, Maddox

Salisbury, who lives at 4048 Swallow Street, has had a longrunning battle with the Hancock County Sewer and Water District and with the Health Department.

As far back as December of 2000, he alleged the water distribution system due to come on-line soon in some areas of Shoreline Park would be polluted by the grinder-type sewerage collection system that is already in place. His complaints were investigated and dismissed by the the state Department of Environmental

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The right track



The Hancock hawks host the annual Hawk Relays for both the middle and high school divisions last week. More details on page 9A.

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'The Last Supper'



St. Thomas Catholic Church of Long Beach on Good Friday presented a dramatic reenactment of The Last Supper. Father Mike Austin, originally of Bay St. Louis, portrayed Jesus. Gary Ponthieux, of Bay St. Louis, played Judas.

Taylor: Cat Island now half ours

BY ED LEPOMA Staff Writer

U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor of Bay St. Louis was beaming with joy Friday when he learned the down-payment was made on plans to purchase the majority of Cat Island.

"It's a great day," the veteran Democratic legislator said. "We're halfway there, and the other half will come in the near future."

Taylor predicted, "Cat Island will become the crown jewel in the chain of barrier islands that comprise the Gulf Islands National Seashore.

Taylor worked several vears to champion the legislation through Congress under which financing was arranged to have the Trust for Public Land purchase the island and deed it to the National Park Service. U.S. Sens. Trent Lott and Thad Cochran, both Republicans, led the fight in the Senate.

Jerry Eubanks, superintendent of Gulf Islands National Seashore, said Friday half of Cat Island was purchased using \$13 million. The paperwork was signed Thursday by the Trust for Public Land, the National Park Service and

members of the Boddie family, which owns Cat Island. The Boddie family will

keep 150 acres of the 2,100acre island for 10 family lots and space for a lodge with 28 units. The section purchased

this week begins at the western tip of the island. extends eastward about three miles and includes Goose Point northward. The Trust for Public Land will purchase the remainder of Cat Island for \$12 million over the next couple of vears, and will be reimbursed the entire \$25 million by the federal govern-

ment. Cat Island contains 21 miles of coastal shoreline, including a six-mile stretch of undeveloped beach. It is a habitat for a wealth of marine life, shorebirds and wildlife and supports a wider range of vegetation than all the other islands that compose the National Seashore.

Eubanks said National Park rangers will begin patrolling the island soon, but reminded potential visitors, "As of right now, much of Cat Island remains under private ownership.

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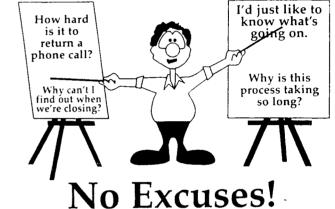
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County lands Pearlington sewage runds

BY ED LEPOMA **Staff Writer**

Mississippi Development Authority has awarded Hancock County a small portion of the funding needed to provide a sewage collection system to the Pearlington Community.

Gov. Ronnie Musgrove announced Friday \$450,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CBDG) funds were approved for the proj-

"The state of Mississippi understands that community building is at the heart of economic development," said Musgrove. "We are pleased to partner with local officials as they strive to improve their communi-

Almost two years ago, the Pearlington Water and Sewer District held a public hearing to inform residents of its intent to seek funding for a sewage collection system and a water distribution system for Pearlington.

At that time, consultants estimated the sewage system would cost about \$6.2 million. Plans were to seek the lion's share, \$4.2 million in the form of a grant from the Rural Utility Service formerly Home Farmer's Administration, a CBDG grant of \$450,000 and the

remainder in the form of a

20-year, low-interest state

revolving loan. Since then, the Southern Wastewater Regional District embarked on an \$11 million upgrade of its treatment plant in Waveland, and joined Pearlington and the Kiln Water and Fire District in efforts to tap new sources of funding.

A new federal 75/25 cost sharing program (Section 5/92) sponsored by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced October, and both districts are seeking \$1.5 million each from the Corps for their wastewater treatment

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The Bay St. Louis Little will be available at the door Menagerie,' Glass Tennessee Williams' dramatic tale of tenderness, charm, and beauty.

Amanda Wingfield (played by Sandy Higdon) is a faded remnant of Southern gentility, now living in poverty in St. Louis with her son Tom (Walter Williford, and daughter Laura (LaDonna Darrah.)

Although both children have been driven by the meanness of their surroundings to withdraw from the world, hope for the future is at hand when Tom brings home a gentleman caller (Scott Darrah.) The play is directed by Ray Kutos.

Performances will be staged at the Bay St. Louis Little Theater on Friday and Saturday, April 5 and 6.

All shows begin at 8 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$7 for students. Tickets

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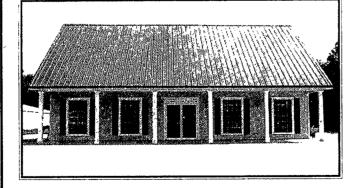
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Draft of Gulf Coast Environmental Impact Study due by late summer

BY ED LEPOMA **Staff Writer**

A federal official predicted this week an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) being developed for Mississippi's three coastal counties will be a growth tool rather than a roadblock.

Dr. Susan I. Rees, head of the Coastal Environmental Team for the U.S. Corps of Engineers Mobile District, made the observation Thursday in a speech before the Gulf Coast Breakfast Club meeting at the Holiday Inn in Biloxi.

ing team sent to Hancock County last May 18 to gath er public opinion on what the EIS should contain. More than 100 citizens and public officials attended that meeting at the Hancock County Civic

Rees told her audience the public will probably be able to see a draft of the EIS by mid-August. It is being prepared by Tetra-Tech, a Virginia firm hired by the

Asked whether she thought the EIS would stifle

Keys to the Crown

Rees was part of a scop- future large scale develop- will be scheduled in late ments, including casinos, Rees said she did not think so.Instead, she said, she believes the document can orderly dictate future growth by identifying endangered wetlands where developers often meet a host of regulatory hurdles.

She said developers would know up front what will be required before going forward with a proj-

Rees said a draft of the EIS will be presented to the Corps sometime in June, then more public hearings

summer.

She urged citizens to get involved in the future public



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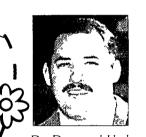
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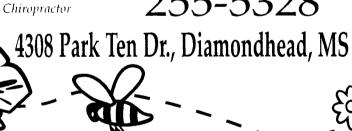
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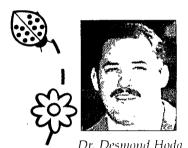


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akeshore VFW hosts fundraiser

Harrison County District 3 Supervisor Marlin Ladner, center right, presents the keys to a new Ford Crown Victoria this week to Pass Christian Mayor Billy McDonald. Others

from left are: Aldermen Don Moore and Leo "Chipper" McDermott, and Police Chief John Dubuisson. The vehicle, donated to the city by the Harrison County Board of Supervisors for use as a patrol car, is equipped with bubble lights, siren and holding

BY ED LEPOMA **Staff Writer**

cage and is valued at \$21.916.

Family and friends of Leo Fricke are planning a chicken and fish fry, several raffles and a turkey shoot to help raise funds to defray his medical expenses.

The fundraiser is scheduled beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 6, at the VFW Post 4048 on Lower

Bay Road in Lakeshore. Fricke, a 36-year-old selfemployed sub-contractor, has been unable to work due to several problems. He is the father of four children ranging in ages from four to 11 years old and is considered disabled because of several illnesses. He has

disease and diabetes and is currently battling a bone infection, which will require

surgery. Organizers said fish and chicken plates will be available for a donation of \$5. A beque grill and a cooker pot, burner and tank will be raf-

been diagnosed with liver and for \$5, you may win a six-year-old Dapple Gray mare.

Planned entertainment also includes a turkey shoot, auctions for various items, music, cake and beer.

Organizers are also seek-12-gauge shotgun, a bar- ing donations. For more information or to donate call: 467-4054 or 601/799fled off for a \$1 donation, 3873 or 601/798-0397.

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Rummaging for Rotary

The Bay St. Louis Rotary Club plans to host its first annual rummage sale this summer, but wants to start collecting items for sale now. Fifty percent of the proceeds of the sale will go to local charities and to the Father Johnson Hospital Foundation. Receipts can be issued for items. If you have an item for donation, contact Rotary Rummage Sale Chairman John Baxter at (228) 466-5930 for the drop-off location.





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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas **Publisher Emeritus**

churches across the world in celebration of Easter.

Christmas and Easter are the two Christian celecrowds to churches.

Special sunrise services for Easter will be celebrated across the world today as in our community.

One service will be at 6 this morning. The Hancock County Ministerial Alliance will sponsor a special Sunrise Service at the Jimmy Rutherford Pier, Beach Boulevard at Ulman, Bay St. Louis.

It is hoped that there will once a gain be a large attendance for this special serv-

I hope to see you there.

One of the most attended grand openings I have attended in recent years took place Tuesday.

Polymer Mississippi Technologies, Inc., (PMT), among the newest industries at Port Bienville Industrial Park, showcased its state-of-art 20,000square-foot research and development plant.

Dr. Robert Gagné and his staff of 15 hosted the open house and a luncheon.

Hancock County's own a favorite comic with pro-United States Congressman grams we watched each Gene Taylor of Bay St.

Congressman Taylor said that PMT has 31 patents on file using the high performance thermoplastic material for aerospace, defense, electronic and other applica-

Dr. Gagné singled out as 'the real heroes" of his company 15 young engineers, chemists and polymer scientists who are already aboard and working at

PMT's new \$1.5 million facility was constructed by GM&R Construction Company of Waveland. The office furnishings and plant equipment represent an investment in Hancock County of between \$7 million and \$8 million.

PMT was made possible through the working together of Congressman Taylor, to claim it.

Today crowds will flock to U.S. Senators Trent Lott Thad Cochran, and Economic Mississippi officials, Development Hancock County Port & brations which bring record Harbor officials, Polymer Institute at the University of Southern Mississippi, Hancock County Board of Supervisors, and other elected officials.

> It just goes to show what working together can do for a county.

Best of luck to Dr. Gagné and his staff in the years to come. Who knows, we may even as civilians be using polymer products in our every-day lives made from the patents developed by PMT right here in Hancock County.

One of the most interesting people I ever interviewed was Milton Berle, who died Wednesday at the age of 93.

The interview took place at Casino Magic prior to a performance by 'Uncle Miltie' several years ago. It was a luncheon and was to be for the period of one hour and ended up being over two hours.

One of those who was around for the introduction of television to the Keynote speaker was American public, Berle was

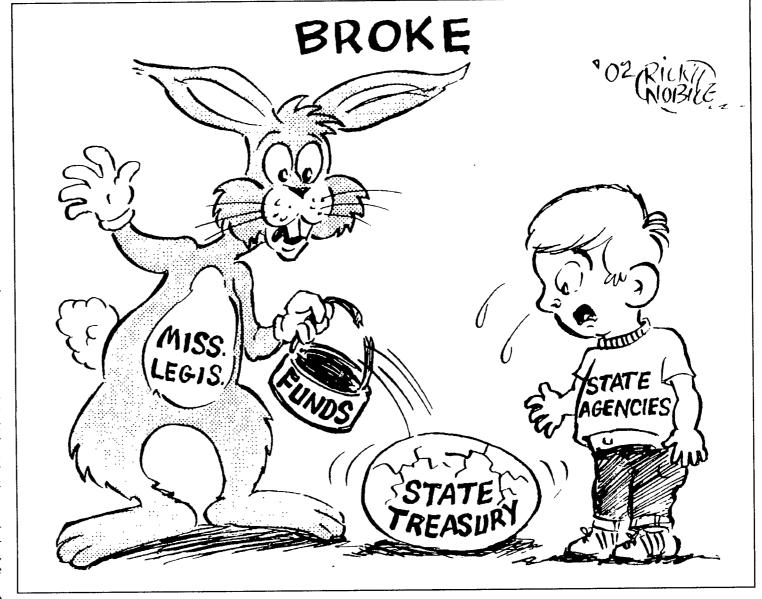
> "Uncle Miltie' was really 'Mr. Television,' a pioneer performer in that medium, and one never knew how he would look or what he would say on his weekly Oh yes, during the inter-

view and luncheon for the media at Casino Magic, he had his big stogie in his hand at all times.

There are not too many from Berle's generation left, those who went back to Vaudeville and silent-film

His contributions to television and help to many voung comedians will long be remembered. A legend of the 20th Century has passed.

The title of 'Mr. Television' is Milton Berle's, and no one will ever be able



Justice denied in Pickering's hearings

Like Mississippians, I was very troubled by the treatment of Mississippi Judge Charles Pickering by Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee.

By a partisan vote of 10-9, these liberals sent us all a blunt message. They made it clear to the President, to the American people and to the citizens of Mississippi, that

will not they accept conserva-Christian tive, judicial nominees, even one who clearly spent the better part of his

life being a healing, positive force in his home state. As a result, I have challenged the Senate's obstruc-

tionists to move on other

well-qualified judicial nominees before May 9. More than a year into his term, President Bush is still waiting on the Senate Judiciary Committee to move a majority of his judicial nominees - qualified men and women whose legal skills are urgently

federal court system. This inaction is unacceptable. I have known Judge Pickering for about 40 years. He is a pro-life, conservative man who is very active in his church - a good thing in my view.

needed in our overburdened

type of person who liberals diverse today have shown open and troubling hostility toward, even while espousing the virtues of tolerance.

ago, Washington- hand.

based special interest groups immediately fired up their machine, with insinuations Judge that Pickering is a racist and a religious fanatic.

Mississippians of all political persuasions immediately recognized this smear campaign for what it was - a lie about

Pickering, and a cheap shot at Mississippi's people. Virtually every newspaper in our state, liberal or conservative, North South urged the Judiciary Committee to support Judge Pickering, and so did local civil rights leaders like Charles Evers.

Just as I know him, these people also know Judge Pickering as an outstanding jurist who has applied our nation's laws strictly as they are written.

His record on the federal bench is so good that he was given the highest rating by Bar American the Association, which is hardly a conservative outfit.

Yet, even faced with overwhelming evidence of Judge Yet, this is precisely the Pickering's virtues and

support, Judiciary Committee thus far has chosen to side with Washington's special interests, rather than the folks When his confirmation here in Mississippi who process began several weeks know Judge Pickering first-

I believe Judge Pickering would be confirmed by the full Senate in a vote on the floor, and so do many of my Democrat colleagues.

Unfortunately only the 10 liberal Democrats who oppose Judge Pickering on the Judiciary Committee can permit that to happen, and thus far they have refused Judge Pickering a fair vote by all 100 Senators.

Like me, they know he will likely pass in a full floor vote, but I suspect they just cannot stomach the idea of conservative, another Christian on our federal bench. How unfortunate.

This confrontation is the most public example to date of a judicial crisis that has been looming for almost a year. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court has indicated the number of judicial vacancies has reached "alarming" proportions.

President Bush is doing his part to fix the problem. On May 9, 2001, President Bush nominated his first 11 judges to serve on America's circuit courts. More than 10 months later, only three of these first 11 nominees have even had a hearing in the Judiciary Committee.

Two of these three judges were previously nominated by President Clinton. The other eight nominees who have languished before the committee are men and women and minorities of extraordinary experience,

intellect and character. President Bush has gone on to nominate a total 92 individuals to serve in our federal courts - more nominations at this point in a term than any past President.

However, this handful of 10 liberal Democrats on the Judiciary Committee would prefer judges who share their activist ideology, and who would use the power of the bench to make law that they have been unsuccessful passing through in Congress.

These proposals include weakening private property rights and very unpopular proposals like strengthening the rights of criminals.

I urge the liberal Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee to put aside their apparent hostilities and prejudices against religious, pro-life conservatives, and act upon the President's nominations before May 9. A year of inaction is too long. Justice delayed is justice denied.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions or comments about this column. Write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 (Attn: Press Office)

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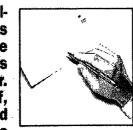
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Technicalities

By Phil Bryant **State Auditor** COUNTIES

Q May a supervisor serve as a court bailiff?

A Article 1, Section 2 of the Mississippi Constitution prohibits simultaneous service in more than one branch of government, those branches being executive, legislative and judicial. The position of bailiff is not a "core-power" office, thus, no separation of powers problem exists. (Attorney General's opinion to Walker dated December 21, 2001)

Q May a constable charge for additional subpoenas

served in a criminal or civil case?

A No. A constable is entitled to one fee for the service of a summons and any subpoena that is served in a case. (§25-7-27) (Attorney

dated December 21, 2001. Q May a county patrolman hired under Section 45-7-1 use radar in enforcing county laws?

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A No. A county patrolman does not have the authority to use radar to enforce the laws of the county. (Attorney General's opinion Carnathan dated December THE SE

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Earth Events ECO Triathlon scheduled for May 19 in Bay

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO The beautiful, tranquil

waters of the Bay of St. Louis and Mississippi Sound will be the setting for the first annual Earth Events ECO Triathlon.

The triathlon will consist of a 2-mile kayak course near the mouth of the Bay of St. Louis, a 12-mile bike scenic Beach down Boulevard and concludes with a 5-kilometer run alongside the manicured beaches of Waveland and Bay St. Louis. The event is scheduled for Sunday, May

Besides the individual adult competition, the ECO Triathlon includes a relay competition and a shorter race for youths age 12 and under.

The relay competition is open to all. The only requirement is that there be three team members - one for each leg. The youth triathlon consists of a halfmile kayak, 1-mile bike and half-mile run. The youth event will take place immediately following the adult

The adult triathlon is divided into 12 age groups for men and women. Trophies will be awarded to the top overall male and female finishers and to the top three in each category.

The festivities will continue after the triathlon with a post-race party on the beach that is open to evervone.

Experienced triathletes Megan Brennan, Kevin Bourgeous and Freddy West developed the course, which seeks to attract first-time triathletes as well as seasoned competitors.

"You're not going to find a more pleasant site to hold such an event," said Megan Brennan. "The waters are generally calm, you've got gentle ocean breezes to cool you as you trek down Beach Boulevard, and you've got a brand new, extra-wide beachside path on which to run."

Leonard Vergunst of the Gulf Coast Running Club is also lending his expertise to the race. He has several years of experience organizing road races, biathlons, and triathlons in the region.

The triathlon is sponsored by Earth Events, a not-for-profit organization that specializes in educating youths about the environment and healthy living through the arts and Da Beach House, the organization's for-profit partner.

"We see the ECO Triathlon as the perfect venue for promoting and supporting Earth Events," said co-founder Colleen Read. "The ECO in the title stands for 'every child's opportunity' which goes along with our mission of promoting environmental awareness among young people, while inspiring them to be healthy, creative, and confident.'

The event will take place in front of the Da Beach House in Bay St. Louis (604 S. Beach Boulevard at the Washington Street intersection).

More details on the triathlon and the post-race party will follow. For registration forms and other information contact Da Beach House at 228-467-1108 or 228-467-9477 or at readtodd@hotmail.com.

50th Anniversary



William E. and Jane A. Snouffer of Bay St. Louis celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary March 8 by going on a cruise to the Caribbean as a special gift from their three children. They were married on March 8, 1952 in Charleston, W.V. with the Rev. Robert C. Booth officiating. They are the parents of two sons and a daughter. Dana resides in McConnelsville, Ohio, Gary in Bay St. Louis and Melody Bumgardner in Letart, W.V. Their family includes six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. While in the Caribbean, Snouffers visited Jamaica, Cayman Islands and Cosumel, Mexico.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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The Hancock County Board of Education Regular Monthly Meeting has been changed and will be held Monday, April 8, 2002 at 5:30 p.m.

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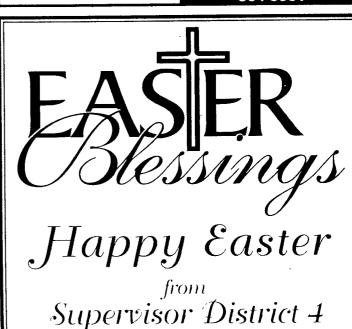
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Republican Women's Club meets Thursday

County Hancock Republican Women's Club will be Thursday, April 5 at 11 a.m. at the Diamondhead

Community Center. Following the business meeting, the guest speaker will be Jim Herring, chairman of the Mississippi State Republican Party. All members are urged to attend. Husbands are also invited.

Mayor Yvonne Brown, Republican, of Tchula, Miss. was guest speaker at the last meeting. At present, she is the only Republican black female mayor in the United States to have been elected into office.

Club President Lucette Worrell attended as delegate the 21st biennial convention of the Mississippi Federation of Republican Women recently at The Oasis/Grand Casino Hotel.

On behalf of the Hancock County club she received a blue ribbon award for the

The next meeting of the club's scrapbook, a Ruby Achievement Award, plus the door prize of a "Pittman Egg.

In addition, the club's first vice president. Annette Saucier, received the Women of Tribute Award for the Year 2001 for her accomplishing the In God We Trust poster project for all public school rooms in Bay St. Louis and Waveland.

Commission accepts resignation, appoints Search Committee

In a called special meeting of the Commission on Marine Resources, the commission voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Department of Marine Executive Resources Director Glen H. Carpenter effective April 30, 2002.

Carpenter, who was appointed by Gov. Ronnie Musgrove on Nov. 30, 2000, resigned March 26 to pursue other career opportuni-

The Commission also established a four-member search committee to immediately take on the challenge of finding a suitable replacement.

After advertising for the position and conducting a thorough search, the commission will submit three nominees for the position of executive director to Gov. Ronnie Musgrove for consideration.

Governor will The appoint the executive director from the list of nominees with the advice and consent of the Senate.

Created the Legislature as a new state agency in 1994, the Department of Marine Resources manages the state's coastal resources including marine fisheries and the wetlands habitat on which they depend through the authority of the Commission on Marine

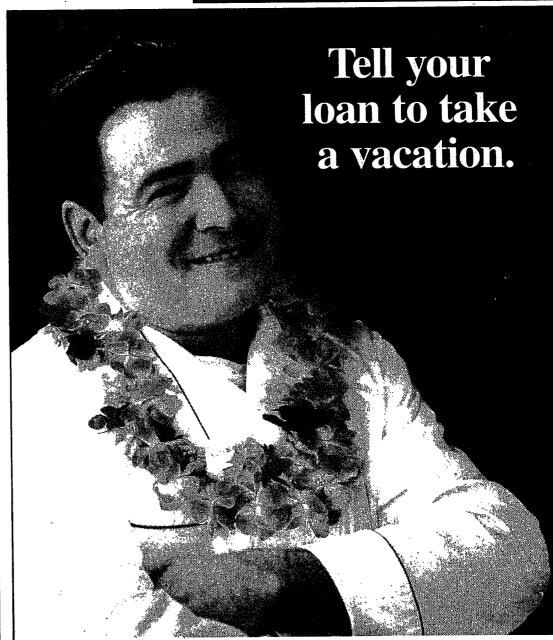
In July 1999, Marine Patrol became part of the agency, expanding the DMR's mission to include law enforcement and boating safety in marine waters.

One thing that distinguishes the DMR from its sister agencies in other states is that all of Mississippi's marine management resources functions am under the same roof. Marine Fisheries Management, Coastal Wetlands Ecology, Permitting, Marine Patrol, Coastal Zone Management, Coastal Preserves, the Estuarine National Research Reserve, Seafood Plant Certification, Boat

and Water Safety, Derelict Vessel Act Administration Tidelands Administration are among the many responsibilities of

the department. "The DMR staff is an outstanding staff with an important mission," said Commission Chairman Vernon Asper. "We're proud of the work they do - of their commitment to the Department and to the wise stewardship of our marine resources.

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Obituaries

EDGAR AUPIED **ERNESTINE GOFF** AUDREY HOEZEL ARTHUR LADNER **BUDDY OHMAN** PATTY WOODALL

EDGAR AUPIED

Edgar J. Aupied, 75, died March 28, 2002 in Wichita,

Mr. Aupied was formerly of Jefferson, La. and Waveland. He was a salesman for D. H. Holmes Company.

Survivors include his wife, Melanie Aupied of Wichita; sons Warren, Craig and Rodney Aupied, all of New Orleans; daughters Jackie Johnson and Pam Chugden, both of Wichita; a sister, Marel Gardner of New Orleans; eight grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

Private services were conducted directed by Mortuary in Broadway Wichita.

ERNESTINE GOFF

Ernestine D. "Niecey" Hoff, 44, of Catahoula, died Tuesday, march 27, 2002, at Catahoula.

Ms. Goff was a native of Picahune and was head cook at Hotel Reed Nursing Home, and a member of Little Providence Baptist Church and Children of Hope.

Survivors include two sons, Terrance Goff of new Orleans and Christopher Goff of Catahoula; a daughter, Charlotte Goff of Long Beach; mother Mary Goff of Catahoula; father Woodrow Magee of Houston; stepfather Lenzell Stacks of Picayune; two brothers, Cedric Goff of Catahoula and Wayne Goff of Bay St. Louis; and four grandchildren.

Visitation will Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Little Providence Baptist Church. Funeral services will be held at the church at 2 p.m.

Burial will follow at Catahoula Cemetery.

Baylous Funeral Home of Picayune is in charge of arrangements.

AUDREY HOEZEL

Audrey Anna Leigh Ramond Hoelzel, 80, of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, March 29, 2002, in Bay St. Mrs. Hoelzel was a

native and longtime resident of Bay S. Louis, where she was born Jan. 6, 1922. She was a Catholic and a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. She was a graduate of St. Joseph's Academy and McMain Business School of New Orleans, where she majored in business. She was in the catering business for 20 years with her husband Eddie in the 1960s with Eddie's Caterers; then went into business with her son Johnny in Jonaudo's in the 1990s. During the years between her businesses, she was employed with the Veterans Affairs hospital as the ward secretary for 16 She was preceded in

death by her husband, Edward Walter Hoelzel; parents William Peter and Rosalie Betz Ramond; and a brother. Survivors include daugh-

Pass Quiz team on way to Bowl

Pass Christian High School's Quiz Bowl team is on its way to the Gulf Coast Scholars' Bowl Championship

The school has claimed the title for the past two

In the last regular season match, Pass Christian High School defeated Our Lady Biloxi, Academy, Stanislaus and won in a lightning round against Ocean Springs. The date of the playoffs is

to be announced.

Hoelzel Ladner Nelson and Hugh Nelson of Corpus Christi; son Edward John Hoelzel II of Bay St. Louis; three grandchildren and their spouses; six greatgrandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

Visitation will be Monday from 7-9 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, with Recitation of the Rosary at

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. Burial will follow in the

Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

ARTHUR LADNER

Arthur "Lee" Ladner, 76, of Pass Christian, died Tuesday, March 26, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Ladner was a member of St. William Catholic Church. He served in the Army during World War II and was a lifelong resident of the Gulf Coast.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Xavier and Lucretia Ladner Williams Ladner; and a sister, Lois Cuevas.

Survivors include a brother, Willard Ladner of Bay St. Louis; and sisters Eva Cuevas and Marie Favre, both of Pass Christian, Dalia Wendling of Bay St. Louis and Nora Ladner of Gulfport.

will Visitation Monday, April 1, 6-10 p.m. at St. William Catholic Church. Services will be conducted Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the church followed by burial in St. Joseph Cemetery at Rotten Bayou.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

BUDDY OHMAN

Buddy McDaniel Ohman, was born in Meridian Miss.

A longtime resident of Orleans, she loved her birth state Mississippi. She maintained

second resi-

dence in Bay St. Louis where she died on Tuesday, March 26, 2002 at the age of 75.

Mrs. Ohman was parishioner of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church and Mater Dolorosa Parish in New Orleans. She was a member of the

Bay-Waveland Yacht Club and the Hancock County Historical Society. An avid art and antique

collector, she served some years back as treasurer of the Historical Society and

ter and son-in-law Donna managed its consignment shop. She was also instrumental in acquiring and renovating of the society's Lobrano House.

She was devoted to her six grandchildren, her three sons and her husband, John.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Allen Louise LaPour McDaniel, and a sister, Aline McDaniel.

Survivors include her husband, John F. Ohman of Bay St. Louis; three sons, John McDaniel Ohman of Bay St. Louis, Erik Francis Ohman of Parker, Colo. and Mark Gregory Ohman of Long Beach; a brother, Allan W. McDaniel of Jackson, Miss.; a sister, McDanielRosemary Benefield of Jackson; and six grandchildren.

will Visitation Monday, April 1, 9:30-10:45 a.m. at Riemann Funeral Home, 229 Hwy. 90 East, Bay St. Louis. A procession will leave the funeral home at 10:50 a.m. for celebration of a Mass of the Resurrection 'at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church.

Interment will be in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

PATTY WOODALL

"Pattv" Patricia Yarborough Woodall, 43, of Waveland, died Friday, March 29, 2002, in Ocean

Mrs. Woodall was a native and lifelong resident of the Bay, graduate of Our Lady Academy, Class of 1978; attended Pearl River Community College and Gulf Coast Community College. She also painted in oils and had one piece of literature printed. In the past, she had served as a foster parent in Hancock County and was a member of St. Clare Catholic Church in Waveland.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Isabell Necaise Yarborough.

Survivors include her husband, John Richard "Rick" Woodall; father Herman Yarborough of Waveland; three sisters, Elaine Favre of Richardson. Tx., and Emily Piazza and Judy Yarborough, both of Waveland; and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Monday from 10 a.m. until noon at St. Clare Catholic Church. Funeral service will be at

noon Monday with a Mass at St.Clare. Burial will follow at Waveland Cemetery. The family prefers

memorials to the Hancock County Animal Shelter at Waveland or the St. Clare Catholic School. Riemann Funeral Home

of Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.



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B) cost of property

C) down payment amount

D) license plate number's for vehicles registered in Hancock County (must have vehicles registered in Hancock County)

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BUSINESS NEWS

Carr, Necaise, others named AVP at bank

George A. Schloegel has announced assistant vice president promotions approved recently by the Hancock Holding Company and Hancock Bank board of directors.

The new Hancock assistant vice presidents include: Debbie J. Carr - Assistant Vice President. Loan officer Debbie Carr joined Hancock Bank through the bank's merger with Peoples Savings Federal Association, at that time employer since February 1977. She has held various branch positions, including teller supervisor, and now manages Hancock's Pineville Road branch in Long Beach. The Bay St. Louis native graduated from Bay St. Louis High School and has completed Hancock University's consumer and commercial credit schools and several branch manager workshops.

Academy Church. Michael E. Cook -Recoveries Department adjuster and now manages Hancock's main Gulfport Vice President. Hancock

Carr attends Our Lady

Hancock Bank President Plaza. A Gulfport High and Chief Executive Officer School graduate, Cook received a degree in business management from Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and attended William Carey College. He has also completed numerous American Institute of Banking (AIB) courses. Cook is a member of the Gulfport Downtown

Association. Ronnie A. Emile -Assistant Vice President. Biloxi native Ronnie Emile graduated from Biloxi High School and Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. He joined Hancock Bank in April 1996 and has over 15 years of financial services management experience. Now the branch manager at Hancock's St. Martin branch, Emile also completed Hancock University's commercial and consumer credit schools, retail management tract, leadership school, and supervisory school. He is president-elect of the d'Iberville - St. Martin Kiwanis Club and a member of the Biloxi Bay Assistant Vice President. Chamber of Commerce. Gulfport native Mike Cook d'Iberville - St. Martin joined Hancock Bank in Chamber of Commerce, and January 1991 as a d'Iberville Youth Sports Association.

Paul Maxwell - Assistant branch at One Hancock corporate communications



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Paul Maxwell

manager and Long Beach -High School graduate Paul Maxwell earned both a bachelor of arts degree in English and a master's degree as a University of Mississippi Carrier Scholar. While an Ole Miss student. he was a summer teller at Hancock's main Long Beach

branch. He returned to Hancock in April 1998 and has over 15 years of public relations and events manexperience. agement Maxwell serves as Gulfport Chamber of Commerce public relations/marketing vice president, Partners in Gulfport Education Advisory Board vice president, Public Relations

Ronnie A. Emile

Long Beach Kiwanis immediate past president, and on Mississippi Gulf Coast Advertising Federation and

SMATF boards of directors. Micah Necaise - Assistant Vice President. Currently branch manager at Hancock Bank's Kiln office, Micah Necaise began his career with the bank in February 1994 as a summer teller. The Bay St. Louis High School graduate received undergraduate and master's degrees in business administration from William Carey College and is currently enrolled at the Mississippi School of Banking. Necaise, a Kiln native, is actively involved

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investment executive officials have announced the promotion of Knox Baird to ment executive at the bank's South Mississippi opera-

Grand opening

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and Louisiana. He is a graduate of Belhaven College and Theological Reformed Seminary. Prior to his asso-

Union Planters Bank ciation with Union Planters Bank in 2000, Baird served as an agent for Mass vice president and invest- Mutual and Investment Consultant for Amsouth and Deposit Guaranty.

He has also worked as a missionary in Africa and served as assistant pastor for churches in Mississippi and Alabama.

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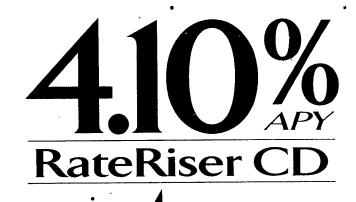
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Son of Pearlington couple participates in multi-national exercise for Navy

BY WENDY BODETKA

ABOARD USS MON TEREY - The Latin word for unity, Unitas, also designates one of the oldest annual exercises ever held by the U.S. Navy, a tradition that embodies U.S. commitment to peace and stability in South America.

For more than 40 years, Unitas has provided an excellent opportunity for naval forces from different nations of the Americas to participate in training exercises designed to strengthen multinational coalition, force interoperability and hemispheric defense.

Petty Officer 1st Class Dorian R. Acker, son of Walter and Rose Acker of Pearlington, was one American Sailor participating in the Atlantic Phase of Unitas.

Acker joined the Navy in July of 1991, shortly after graduating from Hancock High School and now serves aboard the cruiser USS Monterey (CG-61), based in Norfolk, Va.



PO1 Dorlan R. Acker **Photo by Aaron Peterson**

USS Monterey, along 14 other warships from Brazil, Uruguay, France and Spain, conducted high-tech surface, air and undersea maneuvers, integrating Marine Corps and Coast Guard forces and assets.

These exercise scenarios were designed by expert naval planners from all participating naval forces and were engineered to allow participating ships to operate as a combined multina-

Advanced communications drills, underway replenishments, live-fire, anti-air gunnery and missile exercises were some of the events involved in the realistic scenarios of the exercise.

Acker and his shipmates aboard Monterey focused on their jobs successfully accomplish all evolutions in a safe and timely manner.

"I am an operations specialist working as an air intercept controller," said the 28-year-old Sailor. "I determine collision geometry for fighter aircraft."

The dreams and aspirations that motivated Acker to join the Navy are fulfilled by experiences like Unitas.

"I joined the Navy to experience different cultures and to take advantage of the educational benefits," said Acker. "The Navy had better technical training and provided a wider varietv of cultural experiences than the other branches of

"I've been to Cairo, Egypt, and loved it because I had the opportunity to see one of the seven wonders of the world," continued Acker. "I have also been to the Bahamas and loved it because the water was so clear. I love the scenery of both places."

Aboard the U.S. Navy ship, Acker has had many learning opportunities." I have learned to be a team player and to stay healthy since I have been in the Navy," said Acker.

The positive outcomes of Unitas are not limited to military interoperability. They are also evident in better understanding and closer relationships built among people of different nationalities who, like Petty Officer Ist Class Dorian R. Acker, come together to share not only their technical expertise but also their cultures and life experiences.

Wendy Bodetka is a journalist assigned to the Public Affairs Center in Norfolk,

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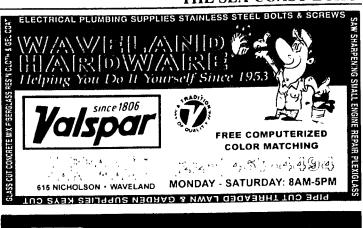
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MS Walk scheduled April 20 in Waveland Many exciting events can break-through research as The society advocates for

only be enjoyed once every year. Think about the list: anniversary. Christmas, New Year's Eve, your birthday, the MS Walk.

If that last one does not sound familiar, you have been missing out on one of the great annual events. But don't worry; it is never too late to start a new tradi-

This year the Mississippi Division of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society will hold its annual Walk on April 13 in Meridian, Ripley, and Kosciusko, April 20 in Jackson, Waveland, and Hattiesburg and April 27 in these drug treatments," she Ocean Springs.

The walk presents an opportunity for you to help the 1500 plus people in Mississippi with MS. The society is always looking for first-time walkers and volunteers to join the legions of seasoned veterans.

"The walk is very important to our organization," said Jennifer Cotner, development specialist. "Every year it helps raise the money we need to fund

well as programs for people with MS.

Past research has led to the development of five drugs for the treatment of Multiple Sclerosis, Avonex, Betaseron, Copaxone, Rebif, and Novatrone.

If anyone you know is diagnosed with the most common form of MS, they should see a physician about one of these treat-

"This year's walk has two goals. In addition to raising funds for research and client programs, we are trying to educate people with MS about the option of

To raise the funds necessary for the continuation of such research and empowering programs for people with MS, walkers collect pledges for completing the route.

This year's course includes walkers enjoying each other's company as well as the rest stops and dedicated supporters that they run into along the

Sixty cents of every dollar raised from the walk will stay in the community to help the 1500-plus people with MS. The rest goes toward research and national programs for people with

Multiple sclerosis is a chronic and often disabling disease of the central nervous system. People with MS, which is usually diagnosed between the ages of 20-24, face unpredictable symptoms that can range from numbness and blurred vision to paralysis and blindness.

Because of its unpredictability, the age at which it manifests itself, and the fact that over 70% of people with MS are women, the disease often has a devastating impact on families.

People with MS are often young mothers worrying about whether or not they will be physically able to raise their children or continue their careers.

The National MS Society supports programs that help ensure people with MS will live their lives with as little disruption as possible.

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Education hotline set for April 7-9

Once a year the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) holds an education hotline, dubbed the National Principals' Hotline, to give families an opportunity to speak directly, but anonymously, with a school principal or school psychologist.

On April 7, 8, and 9, NAESP holds its 13th Hotline for parents, grandparents, or anyone with a question on education or children.

It's a toll-free phone and e-mail service dedicated to answering any questions about schools, children, and education.

Approximately 150 educators will staff the phones and computer terminals while they attend NAESP's annual convention.

The Hotline's purpose is to ease difficulties and encourage constructive communication between schools and families. Parents who are curious, troubled, or simply need some reassurance regarding their child's education may speak confidentially with a principal or get specialized advice from a school psychologist from the National Association of School **Psychologists** (NASP). Calls will be taken in Spanish and English.

Call toll-free 1-800-944-1601* or e-mail the Hotline by accessing www.naesp.org during the following days and times in your area (Note: e-mail service begins

early on Saturday, April 6): Sun., April 7: 1-7 p.m. Mon., April 8: 7 a.m.-7

Tues., April 9: 7 a.m.-1

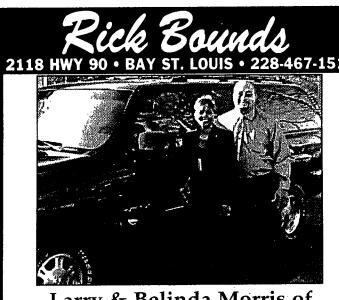
Co-sponsored by TIAA-CREF and Family Circle magazine, the Hotline averages more than 1,000 calls each year from the continental U.S., Hawaii, Alaska, and Canada.

Callers ask about a vari-

etv of topics, including children's reading problems, school discipline, special education policies, testing. learning difficulties, kindergarten entrance, and school

Calls on any subjects are welcome.

The 2002 Hotline originates from San Antonio, Texas, where 5,000 K-8 principals will attend NAESP's convention.



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SPORTS

Middle school Hawks keep Picayune from sweeping Relays

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II **Staff Writer**

The Hancock Hawks hosted their annual Hawk Relays on Wednesday, for both the middle school and high school divisions. The middle school Hancock Hawks was the only squad the prevented the Maroon Tide of Picayune a clean sweep in all four divisions.

In the middle school girls division, the Picayune Lady Maroon Tide claimed the title with 119 points. Hancock placed second with 80.5 points followed by George County with 66.5, Oak Grove 64, East Marion 61, Pass Christian 43, Our Lady Academy 37, and St. John with 24 points.

The middle school boys title was won by the Hancock Hawks with 118.5 points follwed by East Marion in second place with 86 points. The others in order of finish were Picayune with 83 points, Pass Christian 61, George County 53, St. Stanislaus 37, Bay St. Louis 34, and Poplarville with 33.5 points.

The high school girls top honor was brought home by the Lady Maroon Tide of Picayune with 138 points. East Marion was runner-up with 85 points followed by St. John 75, Hancock 72, OLA 71, Oak Grove 69, Poplarville 52, and Bay High with 11 points.

The Maroon Tide narrowly escaped with the title in the varsity boys division by edging out SSC by five points. Picayune won the meet with 147 points while SSC finished with 142points. Oak Grove was third with 76 points followed by St. John 69, Hancock 68, Poplarville 67, East Marion 57, and Bay High with 25 points.

There were several area



Echo staff photo by Joe Gex

shot put with a throw of

The Hancock 800m relay

Jackson, Drew Malley, and

Anthony Guidry won with a

time of 1:44.60. The Pass

team of Freeman, Maxey,

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third place when they were

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The Hancock Hawks host the annual Hawk Relays Wednesday.

the middle school girls division, Laura Kergoisen of OLA placed first in the 100m low hurdles with a time of 20.13. Starrlyn Favre of Hancock took third in the same event in 20.77.

Chandra Acker of Hancock placed second in the discus with a throw of 62 feet. Emma Brumfield of Hancock leaped 4'4" in the high jump to finish third overall. Teammate Dana Haas crossed the finish line first in the 400m dash with a time of 1:08.60.

Another Lady Hawk, Nicole Zulli, claimed the top spot in the 800m run with a time of 3:01.26. The 1600m relay team of Favre, Haas, tively. Zulli, and Acker placed second in 5:00,49.

division also had several top three finishers. Anthony Guidry of Hancock won both athletes in each division the 100m low hurdles and that earned a top three the 400m dash with times of Hancock placed third in the

ranking in each event. In 17.67 and 58.75, respectively. Adrian Bailey of Pass

Christian placed first in the long jump, second in the 100m low hurdles, and third in the 400m dash. The distance on his jump was 17'9 1/2" and his times were 17.90 and 1:03.13.

Robert Jackson Hancock won both the 100m and 200m dashes and placed third in the high jump. His times were 12.02 and 24.80, respectively. The height on the high jump was 5'4".

Hancock's Josh Morgan was also a double-winner in the 800m and 1600m runs. He crossed the tape in 2:23.97 and 5:10.80, respec-

Bay's Rodney Keyes won the shotput with a throw of The middle school boys 37'7" while SSC's Louis West placed third in the discus when he hurled the disc 92'1".

Donovan Saucier of

and Moran also claimed first place in 4:14.00 while the Pass team of Freeman, McKay, Dubuisson, and Dedeaux took third in 4:24.08.

The Hancock 400m relay team of Malley, Jackson, Thomas, and Guidry placed second with a time of 50.96.

In varsity girls competition, Sharmaine Rieux of Bay High won the 200m dash in 27.98. Mollie Nunez of Hancock was a double-winner in the 400m dash and the 1600m run. Her times were 1:07 and 5:56.62, respectively.

Becky Amacker and Erica Moran took second and third in the discus with throws of 91' and 86'9".

A manda Sramek of OLA placed third in the 300m low hurdles with a time of 55.71 while teammate Jennifer Asper claimed second place in the 800m run in 2:49.20.

OLA's 800m relay team took third place with a time of 2:00.07 while Hancock's 1600m relay team placed team of Sean Moran, Robert

runner-up in 4:54.28. In varsity boys, SSC's Kyle Lewis was a triplewinner for the second meet in a row in the 800m, 1600m, and 3200m runs. His times were 2:09.80, The 1600m relay team of 4:48.72, and 10:14.

Allen Leone of SSC

placed second to Lewis in the 3200m run with a time of 10:57. Brent Acker of SSC was runner-up in the 800m run with a time of 2:10.03.

And, Cody Cannon of SSC was second fiddle in the 1600m run with a time of 4:58.90.

SSC's 800m relay team of Logan Walker, Cheick Sanankoua, Brent Acker, and Brian Butler took top honors with a time of 1:34.75. And, the Rocks 1600m relay team of Lewis, Butler, Acker, and Will Boxx claimed top prize with a time of 3:47.52.

Monroe Jordan of Bay High placed second in the 100m dash with a time of 11.71. Sanankoua of SSC placed second in the 200m dash crossing the tape in 23.57.

Bay High's Tim Wright took second place in the 300m intermediate hurdles with a time of 44.80 while Hancock's Michael Payton crossed the tape just behind Wright in 44.84.

The 400m relay team of Ervin Jackson, David Brown, Patrick Mondy, and Myron Fairley from Hancock placed third in 45.87 while the 1600m relay team of Brown, Payton. Mike Long, and Trevin Burge also took third place.

PRCC, Southwest split in baseball

Pearl River split with Southwest Mississippi in South Division community college doubleheader baseball action here Friday, winning the first game 1-0, but losing the nightcap by the same score.

PRCC dropped to 19-6 overall and 7-3 in division play with the loss, while Southwest improved to 10-15 and 4-8.

The Wildcats went up 1-0 in the bottom of the first when Eric Adkins of Purvis bashed a two-out double, advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored off a single

by Jeff Middleton of Mobile. Only four Southwest players reached base in the contest.

Middleton (3-1) hurled a one-hitter in picking up the win. He struck out six over his seven innings on the mound, while walking two. Lucien Weber (2-4) was the losing pitcher, striking out six, walking none, and hitting two batters.

Eric Adkins of Purvis paced PRCC's six-hit attack with a double and a single, while Nate Murray of Bogalusa, Jake Smith of Picayune High, and Jared Harris of Poplarville all sin-

Marshall Varnado's lead off double in the top of the sixth was Southwest's only

In the nightcap, the Bears scored the winning run in the top of the seventh when Michael Clements walked and Wilkinson followed with a single. That set the stage for Varnado's RBI single to ice the game.

Winning pitcher Mike Dumiller (2-2) struck out two in the bottom of the seventh with a Wildcat base runner at third. He finished the game with seven strikeouts, while walking two.

Jonathan Mitcham (3-1) of North Forrest was the losing pitcher in going the distance. He struck out five

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Justin Gros of Oak Grove paced PRCC's four-hit effort with two singles, while Adkins and Jason Santiago of St. Stanislaus both sin-

gled. Southwest finished with all singles by six hits Wilkinson, Varnado, Tim Daigle, Phillip Coffey, Brady Sledge, and Justin Chiasson.

Pearl River travels to Copiah-Lincoln in Wesson Tuesday for a 4 p.m. division doubleheader, then visits East Mississippi in Scooba next Thursday for a 3 p.m. non- division twin

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Spring has sprung



Bellingrath Gardens and Home's spring Azalea display opens this week.

Bellingrath Garden Azalea season opens this week

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Spring into the season at Bellingrath Gardens this week.

Warmer weather is finally here and has brought with it an explosion of color to the Bellingrath Gardens and Home. Garden's horticulturists have worked diligently to present imaginative planting combinations to entertain and inspire. Visitors will delight in its multitude of flowers and display of spring color.

With the spring season approaching, we are looking forward to sharing another beautiful Azalea display with visitors to our gardens, said Dr. Bill Barrick, executive director of Bellingrath Gardens & Home. As always, we hope this exhibit will inspire our visitors to create their own gardens at home.

Azaleas have always been a part of Mr. And Mrs. Bellingrath's gardens. Their home on Ann Street was part of Mobile's famous Azalea Trail. They moved azaleas from this home to the gar-

dens in Theodore and planted thousands of Azaleas throughout their 65-acre garden .

Today's visitors can see more than 150,000 azaleas throughout the gardens. Types of azaleas planted include Formosa. Daphne Southern Charm. President Clayeys, Coral Bell, Christmas Cheer. and Pericat Hybirds.

Tickets to tour the gardens can be purchased at the gate for \$8.50. Visitors may also choose to upgrade to include a Home. Reservations are encouraged for groups of 20 or more.

or to secure group reservations, call 1-800-247-8420, ext. 163.

About Bellingrath Gardens and Home:

Bellingrath Gardens encompasses more than 65 acres on the banks of Alabama.

Duncan Walter Bellingrath, a business- and Home can be found on man and philanthropist, the World Wide Web at purchased the land in www.bellingrath.org. 1917, and with the help of wife, made

Bellingrath Gardens the floral splendor that it is today.

In 1955, following the death of Mr. Bellingrath, Bellingrath Gardens and Home opened for public viewing.

Since then, Bellingrath Salmon, has received national recognition as one of the most unrivaled southern gardens. Bellingrath Gardens and Home is overflowing with southern tradition and history. The 15-room home was built in 1935, and is decorated with fine china, silver, tour of the Bellingrath crystal and furnishings from all over the world.

The Delchamps Gallery of Boehm Porcelain For more information, Museum, located next to the Chapel, contains the largest Boehm porcelain display in the world.

Visitors may also take advantage of the scenic river cruise on Fowl River. The 45-minute cruise takes visitors on a trip Fowl River in Theodore, around the Bellingrath Gardens.

Bellingrath Gardens

Casino -- dismissed

 St . Community Association, Diamondhead Preserve Quality, Inc., the Gulf Islands Conservancy, Inc., and Concerned Citizens to Protect the Isles and Point. Inc. Justices met in session March 7, and the minutes of that meeting simply notes: "Motion for rehearing filed by appellants is denied."

The latest ruling concerning the future of the stalled Casino World project was viewed as "a huge victory" by Deborah Vitale, the president and chief executive officer of Europa Cruises Corp., which wants to build a \$225 million gambling resort and casino on a 404acre tract off I-10.

"It represents the last court challenge to the project," said Vitale. Months ago, Europa,

which operated four gambling ships out of ports in

Louis Florida, sold the vessels to a Canadian firm, and Vitale said the company is now focusing its entire efforts towards getting Casino of 2000 directed the U.S. World started in Hancock County.

Last October, Europa took an option on two acres of land near I-10 that could someday become the entrance to the Casino World resort.

It agreed to pay the heirs

of the estate of the late Walter Gex Sr., \$10,000 a year with an option to buy the property for \$350,000 before the end of this year. \$385,000 by the end of 2003 or \$420,000 by the end of 2004. Europa already owns two miles of roadway along Yacht Club Drive. The twoacres acquired in the new purchase agreement is in the southeast quadrant of the tract.

New casino development Vitale said.

along the Mississippi Coast has been virtually stalled since a federal judge in Washington, D.C. in August Army Corps of Engineers to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The judge wants the EIS to gauge the environmental and cumulative effects of casinos since they opened on the coast in 1992, along

Vitale said Europa has already submitted to the Corps names of environmental consulting firms considered qualified to prepare the EIS.

with the impact new devel-

opments, like the Casino

World project, may have in

the future.

"Subject to certain approvals, the company could receive a preliminary EIS by November or December of this year."

Health

the Quality. Environmental Protection Agency and the Health Department.

At first, Salisbury hooked into the sewerage collection system when it came to his area of Shoreline Park in April of 1999, and he was paying his monthly \$35 bill. But, he stopped paying about a year ago last February, and the district took him to Justice Court after his delinquent sewerage bill topped \$300. The district also disconnected Salisbury's house from the sewerage system, and he is presently using a septic tank.

Salisbury requested a jury trial on the charges of non-payment, and was found guilty and ordered to pay the delinquent bill.

Last month, Justice Court Judge Ricky Adam ordered Salisbury to produce income records, and to make payment arrangements with the district.

The latest charge alleges

Salisbury is in violation of the health department and the county's wastewater regulations. Once he is arrested, he could be ordered to post a \$500 bond. then await a court arraignment on the charges.

The action marks the second time affidavits have been filed against a Hancock County resident for refusing to hook up to the sewerage collection sys-

Earlier this month, the health department and the Sewer and Water District filed four affidavits against Jack Welch, charging him trial on the charges.

with violations at four properties he owns in Bayside Park.

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Welch later turned himself into the Hancock Sheriff's County Department where he was booked on the four charges.

Justice Court Judge Tommy Carver let Welch go free without requiring him to post a bond, but he is scheduled to be arraigned on the charges in court on April 2.

Welch is expected to plead not guilty, and the presiding judge will be required to set a date for his

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Rape -- Bay P.D.

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department on Thursday. Herbert Roles, 35, who lists his address as 25th St., Gulfport, was charged with sexual battery and statutory rape on Wednesday after the victim and her parent filed a complaint with the department, according to the release. The sexual batter charge allegedly stems from an incident that happened while Roles was onduty, police say.

"The arrest comes after an investigation by the Bay Unit and the detective unit under the command of Lt. Tom Burleson," the statement said. "The Mississippi Highway Patrol, relative to further charges being filed ... is conducting further investigation."

St. Louis Internal Affairs

An additional count of statutory rape was added on Friday.

According to the complaint the contact between Roles and the girl is alleged to have taken place between Feb. 16 and March 22.

Roles had served as a reserve police officer with the department since 1991. Bay Police Chief Frank McNeil "relieved" Roles of his duties with the department on Wednesday, according to the release.

Roles was taken to the Hancock County Justice Facility, where he remained Friday under a combined \$125,000 bond.

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Center In 600 B.C., the Greek poetess, Sappho, described the rose as the Queen of Flowers, and it became our National Floral Emblem in 1987. It is safe to say roses are much loved and are here to stay.

The American Rose Society lists 56 official classes of roses, so you know there must be some you can enjoyably grow and beautify your landscap with as well as provide fragrant and colorful bouquets for indoor displays.

Some people disparage the hybrid tea roses because of the effort required to grow them, but most of the best things in lifetake work. Many people consider the "work" to be very enjoyable or even therapy after stressful days at an office. Most gardeners consider growing hybrid tea roses to be fun, or they wouldn't be the most popular roses in America.

More than 225,000 visitors annually, go to the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Museum in Jackson and stroll the rose garden, shooting pictures, putting their noses in the flowers and taking notes. One visit and the rose display will hook most gardeners on the idea of growing their own.

The University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg is known far and wide for its beautiful hybrid tea rose gardens. Popular demand has prompted USM to organize a Rose Gala on May 5 with speakers and an afternoon of fun amongst the roses. For more information contact Pat McDonald at (601) 266-6951.

If you want to start growing your own roses,

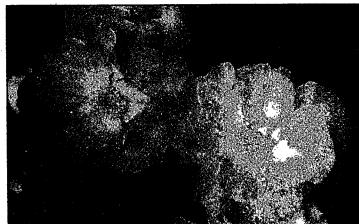


Rio Samba (top) - All America Rose Selections winner Rio Samba's reddish-orange and yellow blend offers outstanding beauty for this year's rose gardens.



Look Alikes- One of this year's All America Rose Selections winners, Love & Peace, is a dead-ringer for a past winner, Rio Samba. Both are reddish-orange and yellow blends offering outstanding beauty for this year's rose gardens.

consider first thatthe rose is one of those plants that does not like wet feet. Not



Garden Beauty (right) - A favorite floribunda, Playboy, is mostly orange with a splash of yellow.

many of our choice plants do. A raised bed like we use for vegetables or azaleas, rich in organic matter, will do just fine.

Black spot is the villain that causes the most angst in growing roses. Much can be done to strengthen the fight against black spot

and lessen the amount of fungicide applications. Plant your roses in full sun and for sure full morning sun. This will allow dew on the leaves to dry.

Space plants where they will have good air circulation for this drying process. When you water, use soaker hoses, home drip systems or at least water from the bottom with a wand Keeping water off the foliage really increases your chances of being a happy rose grower.

Leaves that are still expanding (new growth) are most susceptible to black spot. The disease spore must be immersed in water for at least seven hours for any infection to occur. Symptoms will appear in three to 16 days depending on temperature and inoculum. Keeping this in mind and being familiar with a couple of garden center fungicides makes it fairly simple to grow roses.

The real hard part may be deciding which hybrid tea roses to grow. Most garden centers are loaded with huge selections of high quality roses. I have always been partial to roses with blended colors of orange, yellow and red. I still ooh and ahh everv time I see Perfect Moment. a past All America Rose Selections winner.

Rio Samba, which is also an AARS winner, is another favorite of mine with reddish-orange and vellow. This year's AARS winner. Love & Peace, is breathtakingly beautiful in these same colors.

I also still love Double Delight, the last rose to win the fragrance award in the American Rose Society. Everyone loves the deepred and creamy-white combination.

Without a doubt, gardeners still love red roses. There are a lot of good choices in the red, but I love it when the old timer Mister Lincoln sneaks up and wins the grand prize at a show. Mister Lincoln is one of the largest hybrid teas and has a fragrance that will bring you to your knees. Other great red hybrid teas are Olympiad. Ingrid Bergman and Opening Night, all of which are AARS winners.

If vellow is your favorite color, you may want to consider Midas Touch, an

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Feed the birds don't burn the lawn

THE PACE **FILES** BY STAN PACE COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

If you have been feeding vour birds all winter, continue to do so, but start thinking about planting some trees and shrubs that will help our feathery friends find food when you are not around.

While fall is the best time to plant trees and shrubs, you can still add some to your landscape in laté winter. Some plants that birds enjoy are crabapple, hawthorn, hollies, dogwoods, and pyracantha.

Not only will these plants enhance your landscape, they may help keep birds away from your "real" fruit trees.

Recently I was asked for my opinion on advantages and disadvantages of burning a lawn prior to spring green-up. With the innovations in lawn maintenance chemicals and equipment today I see no real advantages in burning off your lawn.

Previous reasons for burning would include removal of excess dormant leaf matter and thatch; reduction of some pests such as insects, weeds and diseases; and perhaps earlier green-up of new growth.

Depending on the type of turf species you have an advantage, such as removal of thatch or earlier green-up may not even apply to your lawn.

The potential disadvantages far outweigh the advantages. First, it may be illegal due to county or city ordinances. The actual success of burning is often less than desired.

Why risk burning down your house or even worse yours, and your neighbor's. And if your home insurance agent knows you are doing this he may cancel your insurance.

You may get rid of some surface leaf matter, but deep thatch removal is questionable. You would do as well with a very close mowing and collection of clippings with a bagger or vacuum.

Once the lawn is actively renting growing.

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I see no-see-ums

ne of my courses in college dealt with paleontology, and I remember my later fascination on field trips in finding fossils long-extinct creatures.

these trips, and I usually hammer with a special

looking at a piece of the earth that hadn't been exposed to daylight in a thousand millenniums!

very closely.

departed creature is that



the animal looked like. Because of this, conodonts defy classification as to their zoological relationship with any specific

pocket lens to look at it. We have no idea as to whether they were a fish or a fowl or really anything except that they had been

strange looking fragments that remained of their body: their teeth! At least we think it was their teeth; we really are not sure.

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But whatever the fragments were originally, whether teeth or some other rapacious body part, under my lens, the alive. And that proof of remains are horrible look-

They more than look like teeth, they resemble a series of fangs! Not just your run-of-the-mill fangs. No, sir, they are fangs that would make a sabertoothed tiger proud, and yet, the lens fools you; the actual size of any one fragment is only that of a small flea.

I remember finding a collection of the remains of many conodonts scattered on the freshly exposed surface of a small piece of shale.

Pausing, I found it difficult to imagine what a bite from just one conodont must have been like, and here I was looking at

dozens, each one capable of giving another creature big or small a very good nip.

Around me was a large outcrop of the shale whose true extent was buried hundreds of feet into the hillside on which I stood. On much of the dark gray stone of the outcrop I could see tiny white dots that if examined by my powerful pocket lens would prove to be conodonts.

I was standing on the remains of a shallow Paleozoic sea that must have contained trillions on trillions of these voracious

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There were a number of wedge-shaped edge on one end that was ideal for breaking open bits of shale about this long-since or sandstone to reveal a trilobite or a crinoide.

Smash! Pry! And I was

One animal from the Paleozoic whose remains I found quite often in shales was that of a tiny creature called a conodont. It was so small I had to carry a carried with me an Ewing small rather expensive. genus.

> What kis interesting we really don't know what their existence was rather ing objects.



Bay High Tiger Pride Marching Band

Tiger Pride Marching Band will perform in Mickey's big parade

The Bay High School Band has received the honor of being invited to perform in Disney's Spectrum Magic Parade, also known as The Electric Light Parade.

The Bay High Band will be performing in front of an international audience representing Bay St. Louis at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2.

World Resort is one of the most requested venues for guest performing groups from around the world, the Bay High Band had to meet stringent performance criteria to receive the invitation.

Not only was the Bay High School Band required to have musical talent, but they also had to meet the requirements of precision in movement, perform with energy and display a sense of stage presence.

Disney Magic Music Days requested that the band perform a patriotic selection.

The band will perform to John Philip Sousa's March "Stars and Stripes Forever." The band will perform a "show stop" to feature the girls) and Dance Team, "The Bay High Steppers."

The band will perform "I want Candy," featuring senior and first chair trumpet player, Andrew Baldree.

In 1998 the Bay High Band performed at Epcot, in 2000 the band performed in the Magic Kingdom Parade, and once again it is an honor for the Bay High School Marching Band to have been invited to perform in Walt Disney World and to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Walt Disney.

The band is under the direction of Catchie Crider and Bay-Waveland Middle School Director Kelly Allen. The Dance Team director is Natalie Skinner.



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Fr. Benet conducts lecture series about St. Francis of Assisi at OLG

Beyond the Birdbath the Real St. Francis" lecture series by Fr. Benet Fonck, OFM will be at the Our Lady of the Gulf Community Center 228 S. Beach Boulevard, Bay St. Louis Thursday, April 11 and Friday April 12.

Tickets will be \$25 for and individual and \$35 for a

! in philosophy, journalism, sacramentology, and liturgy. Francis.") He has spent much of his

ministry working with the laity to develop their specific spirituality and to empower them for evangelization.

He has been a Franciscan for 36 years and will celebrate his 30 year anniversary as a priest in June.

In addition, to being a captivating and delightful speaker and retreat facilitator for and laity, priests and religious he is an noted author, spiritual director, and team member of the Franciscan Pilgrimage Program to Rome and Assisi where St. Francis originat-

He is currently serving as the apolostic visitor for the "Brothers and Sisters of Charity" founded by musician "John Michael Talbot"

He has been editor of the Franciscan Herald and associate director of the Franciscan Herald Press.

he was in Rome as the delegate of the Franciscan general minister (superior general) for all Secular Franciscans in the world under the care of the Friars Minor.

His office is know as "information central" for the SFO, and their spiritual (Previously) assistants. Father Benet has degrees known to many as the "Third Order of St.

> mis assistance and care of the laity, as well as his books and teaching materials are too numerous to mention adequately in this brief introduction.

Ticket are available by mailing a check payable to Our Lady of the Pearl c/o Our Lady of the Gulf, 228 S. Beach Boulevard Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

Registration and checkin will begin at 8:30 each

The daily schedule is: Eucharist: 9 a.m. First Talk: 10:15 a.m. Second Talk: 11:15 a.m. Lunch: Noon Available for purchase at

Third Talk: 1 p.m. Fourth Talk: 2 p.m.

the community center

Fifth Talk: 7 p.m. "Please join us for a rich and joyful treat as you have the opportunity to get to know him for yourself, and

the "poor little man" behind

During the years 1980-1985 the birdbath, St. Francis of Assisi," a spokesperson



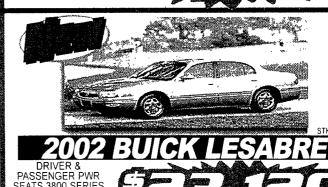




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TOPS MS 307, Bay St. Louis, met Wednesday, March 27 at the Coastal Wellness and Fitness Center with nine members present.

Sherrie was the week's best loser with 13/4 pounds. Paula was top KOPS and also received the incentive award. The chapter welcomed a new member. officers New installed include Sherrie, leader; Geri, co-leader; Paula, treasurer; Jenny, secretary; and Rhonda, weight recorder.

The chapter meets every Wednesday at the Coastal Wellness and Fitness Center, 524 St. John Street in Bay St. Louis.

Weigh-ins are 4-4:45 p.m. with the meeting following.

Anyone interested in losing weight is welcome. Call Sherrie at 467-3798."

Diamondhead Spring Art Fling

Women's Club will hold its 8th Spring Art Fling

Sunday, April 7, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Diamondhead Country Club. Many of the leading artists in the area will dis-

play their work. All artwork

Diamondhead will be available for sale. Admission is \$1, and all proceeds will be donated to Hope Haven Children's Shelter and the Alzheimer's Foundation.

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Weddings



Mr. and Mrs. William Buice, Jr.

Buice-Stevens

Theda Marie Stevens of of Judith Fischer Stevens of Waveland and William Henry Buice, Jr., of Kiln were united in marriage Feb. 16, 2002 in an evening ceremony in Word of Faith Christian Fellowship with the Rev. Tyrone Dastugue officiating.

Soloist was the bride's mother, and pianist was Alan Black.

The bride is the daughter Bay St. Louis.

Waveland.

The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. W. Henry Buice of Kiln.

Maid of honor was Sarah Stevens, and matron of

honor was Erin Johnson. Best man was Scott Dunn, and usher was Kirby

The couple will reside in

SSC's Morell named **National Merit Finalist**

Saint Stanislaus senior Robert Morell has earned the distinction of National Merit Finalist, according to Brother Ronald Hingle, SC, principal.

Morell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aldo Morell of Gulfport. He is currently a member of the National Honor Society, the Math and Science Team, and the Quiz Bowl Team.

He has been recognized for achieving President's Honor Roll. He has been awarded third place in physics, first place in computer science, and third place in mathematics at the Mississippi Math Science Competition.

Morell is one of 14,500 finalists in the 47th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

By earning this achievement, he has the opportunity to continue competition for over 8,000 merit scholarship awards, worth over \$32

National Merit The Scholarship Corporation lence at all levels.



Robert Morell

(NMSC), which conducts the academic competition, is a privately financed not-forprofit corporation.

Scholarships awarded through this program are underwritten by nearly 600 independent sponsor organizations and institutions that join NMSC in its efforts to honor scholastically able young men and women, to broaden their educational opportunities, and to encourage academic excel-

Births

HAYLEY MARIE **BONO**

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Joseph Bono of Slidell announce the birth of a daughter, Hayley Marie, Feb. 15, 2002 at Regional NorthShore Medical Center in Slidell.

Mrs. Bono is the former Marie "Mimi" Leddy.

Maternal grandfather is Alan "Butch" Leddy of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Anthony Bono and Barbara Bono, both of Metairie.

OLIVIA MARIE SIMMONS

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wayne Simmons of Kiln announce the birth of a daughter, Olivia Marie, Feb. 15, 2002 at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell.

Mrs. Bono is the former Angela Bennett.

Maternal grandparents are Harlon and Opal Bennett of Kiln.

Paternal grandparents are James and Lillie Simmons of Kiln.

ZACHARY JOHN **BOURG**

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Lee Bourg of Alpharetta, Ga. announce the birth of a son, Zachary John, January 18, 2002 at Northside Hospital in Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Bourg is the former Dawn Alys Delhomme.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Delhomme of Lafayette, La.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bourg Henry Diamondhead.

Great-grandparents include the late Mr. and Mrs. Rock Mouton and the late Mr. and Mrs. Francis F. Delhoome, also Corinne S. Levy of Bay St. Louis, the late Gabriel Levy, and the late Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bourg, Sr.

> NICHOLAS DAVE CUMBERLAND, JR.

Commission On The Status

Of Women announces a

public hearing to be con-

ducted April 13 at the J. L.

Scott Marine Education

Center Auditorium on

Highway 90 in Biloxi, from

information from groups

and individuals interested

in improving the status and

the quality of life for

Mississippi women, particu-

larly in the areas of educa-

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political participation and

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The resulting informa-

The purpose is to gather

10 a.m. until noon.

race relations.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas

Status Of Women public hearing

Cumberland Dave Diamondhead announce the birth of their second child, Nicholas Dave Jr., Jan. 3, 2002 at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Cumberland is the former Gretchen Grassel. Maternal grandparents

are Wilbur and Carolyn Grassel of Bay St. Louis, great-grandparents include the late Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Grassel Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ravain of New Orleans.

Paternal grandparent are and Debbie Cumberland Diamondhead, and greatgrandparents are Mrs. Vera Cumberland of Gulfport and

the late Louis Cumberland. Nicholas is welcomed by his sister, Mackenzie.

GRACEY CLAIRE CANDEBAT

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Candebat, Jr. of Kiln announce the birth of their third child, Gracey Claire, Jan. 13, 2002 at 4:29 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

Mrs. Candebat is the former Erica Peterson.

Maternal grandparents are Terry and Charlotte Roberson and Charles M. Peterson.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James D. Candebat, Sr.

Great-grandmothers are Mildred Peterson and Ann

Gracey Claire is welcmed by brother Colby and sister Holly.

GARRETT JOSEPH STOCKSTILL

Jason and Jennifer Stockstill of Pearl, Miss. announce the birth of a son, Garrett Joseph, March 6, 2002 at River Oaks Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Becky Howell of Pearl and Bruce Woods of Slidell.

Paternal grandparents are Gary and Susan Blount of Winona, Miss. and Norval

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of Stockstill of Picayune

HANNAH NICOLE **MELTON**

Wendy Dougherty and Woodrow Melton of Gulfport announce the birth of a daughter, Hannah Nicole, March 23, 2002 at 1 p.m. at Garden Park Hospital.

She weighed 6 pounds, 5

Maternal grandparents are Deborah Allen of Biloxi and Peter Dougherty Sr. of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Peggy Wagner of Birch Tree, Mo. and Larry Melton of Gulfport. Great-grandparents include Charles and Pat Strong of Bay St. Louis, Leo Vance of Saucier, the late John and Catherine Dougherty and the late Nell

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way for the 2002 edition of Project Marine Discovery at the J.L. Scott Marine Education Center and Aquarium in Biloxi, and Aquarium educators are adding a bit of salsa to the successful day camp this

With the theme "A Fiesta of Fishes," the marine science camp will take on the flavor of south-of-the-border culture as students ages 5 -16 explore the ocean and its creatures. On the agenda are new art projects, computer laboratory activities, music and a "Fabulous Friday Fiesta."

Five-day sessions are scheduled each week of June 3 through Aug. 2 with the exception of July 22-26. Sessions for five-year-old campers run from 8 to 11 a.m. Hours for all other ages are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Costs per week are age 5, \$65; ages 6-7, \$115; ages 8-14, \$130; ages 15-16, \$145.

For information or to register, call 228-374-5550

www.aquarium.usm.edu.

Pass Elementary inducts Junior Beta **Club members**

Sixteen students were inducted last month into the National Junior Beta Club at Pass Christian Elem., including Hannah Read, Olivia Lizana, Bethany Bentz, Phillip McAuley, Mykel Cunningham, David Dodge, Paul Furr, Domonic Haydel, Timothy Henderson, Corey Johnston, Chau Le, Sunni Long, Paige Necaise, Troy Nelson, Breanna Thompson, and Maalcolm Watson. Beta Club stresses scholastic achievement, honesty, and truthfulness.



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Charlie Daniels blows into the Bay April 6

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Like the State of Texas, Charlie Daniels is partly Western and partly Southern. His signature "bullrider" hat and belt buckle, his lifestyle on the Twin Pines Ranch (a boyhood dream come true), his love of horses, cowboy lore and the heroes of championship rodeo, Western movies, and Louis L'Amour novels, identify him as a Westerner.

The son of a lumberjack and a Southerner by birth, his music - rock, country, bluegrass, blues, gospel - is quintessentially Southern.

In fact, even his bent for all things Western is Southern, because his attire, his lifestyle and his interests are historically emblematic of Southern working class solidarity with the "lone cowboy" individualism of the American West.

See this legendary selfproclaimed "southern boy" at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis, Saturday, April 6 at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$14.95. \$19.95 and \$24.95 and may be purchased at the Casino Magic Box Office by calling 1-800-5-MAGIC-5 or any Ticketmaster Outlet.

It hasn't been so much a style of music, but more the values consistently reflected in several styles that has connected Charlie Daniels with millions of fans. For decades, he has steadfastly refused to label his music as anything other than "CDB music", music that is now sung around the fire at 4-H Club and scout camps, helped elect an American President, and been popularized on a variety of radio formats.

Like so many great in 1976. American success stories,



Daniels

the Charlie Daniels saga begins in rural obscurity.

Born in 1936 North Wilmington, Carolina, he was raised on a musical diet that included Pentecostal gospel, local bluegrass bands, and the rhythm & blues and country music emanating respectively from Nashville's 50,000-watt megabroadcasters WLAC and WSM.

He graduated from high school in 1955 and soon enlisted in the rock 'n' roll revolution ignited by Mississippian Elvis Aron Presley. Already skilled on guitar, fiddle and mandolin. Daniels formed a rock 'n' roll band and hit the road.

Daniels broke through as a record maker, himself, with 1973's Honey In the Rock and its hit hippie song, "Uneasy Rider." His rebel anthems "Long Haired Country Boy" and "The South's Gonna Do It" propelled his 1975 collection Fire On the Mountain to Double Platinum status.

Epic Records signed him to its rock roster in New York

The contract, reportedly

largest ever given to a Nashville act up to that time. In the summer of 1979 Daniels rewarded the company's faith by delivering "The Devil Went Down to Georgia," which became a Platinum single, topped both country and pop charts, won a Grammy Award, became an international phenomenon, earned three Country Music Association trophies, became a cornerstone of the Urban Cowboy movie soundtrack and propelled Daniel's Million Mile Reflections album to Triple

The album's title was a reference to a milestone in the Charlie Daniels Band's legendary coast to coast tours.

Platinum sales levels.

Including two drummers, twin guitars, and a flamenco dancer, the CDB often toured more than 250 days a year and by this time had logged more than a million miles on the road. On the Million Mile Reflections Tour, transported by a convoy of busses and gleaming black tractor-trailer rigs - a show that stopped traffic all over the country - the bank now included a full horn section, back-up singers, a troupe of clog dancers and sometimes a gospel choir.

By 1981, the Charlie Daniels Band had twice been voted the Academy of Country Music's Touring Band of the Year.

Full Moon, issued in 1980, became Daniel's third Platinum album. Simple Man (1989) is also Platinum Following stints with while A Decade of Hits apitol and Kama Sutra. (1983) is Triple Platinum, and Windows (1982), Saddle Tramp (1976), and Midnight Wind (1977) are Gold.

He earned a Dove Award

worth \$3 million, was the from the Gospel Music Association in 1994 for The Door, and a 1997 CMA nomination for his remake of "Long Haired Country Boy" featuring John Berry and Hal Ketchum. Amazing Grace: A Country Salute to Gospel, a compilation album including Daniels' "Kneel at the Cross," garnered a 1995 Grammy Award.

In 1996 he was honored with a boxed set of his classics. His By the Light of the Moon: Campfire Songs & Cowboy Tunes (1997), Christmas Time Down South (1990) and Blues Hat (1997) albums added further layers to his multifaceted style.

Daniels' annual Volunteer Jam concerts, world-famous musical extravaganzas that served as a prototype for many of today's annual day-long music marathons, always featured a variety of current stars and heritage artists and are considered by historians as his most impressive contribution to Southern

"I used to say, 'I'm not an outlaw; I'm an outcast," says the Grammy Award winning star. "When it gets right down to the nitty gritty, I've just tried to be who I am. I've never followed trends or fads. I couldn't even if I tried. I can't be them; I can't be anybody but







Treehouse at Monkey Hill, Audubon Zoo's new attraction

monkeys that's the new treehouse at Audubon Zoo's Monkey Hill.

"The Audubon Zoo attraction. opening up just in time for

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More fun than a barrel of New Orleans, Monkey Hill. A series of ramps wraps around an old pecan tree in a style consistent with other

Treehouse at Audubon Zoo favorites such Monkey Hill" is the newest as the Trapper's Cabin at the Louisiana Swamp Exhibit. Treehouse

The five-level structure Monkey Hill is the latest in stands 20 feet tall, topped a series of enhancements at by a gabled tin roof. It gives the perennially popular visitors a monkey-eye view mound of dirt, which was constructed by Works legendary tallest point in Progress Administration workers in the 1930s. Over the past year and a

half, a rope bridge, bronze lion sculptures, landscaping and wading pools have been added to the hill, all while retaining plenty of "room to roll." But perhaps the most appreciated aspect of recent improvements (at least from a parental standpoint) is not on Monkey Hill at all, but right across from it.

There, under a canopy of cypress trees, the grownups can cool their heels at a patio seating area, watching the kids blow off some steam before resuming their trek around Audubon Zoo.

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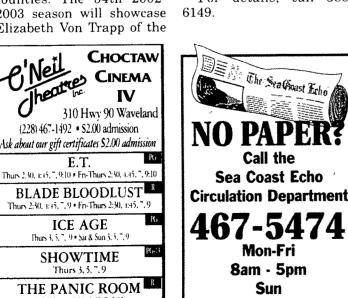
Coast Community Concert Inc. will extend its membership drive through April, according to board president Russell Thompson.

Thompson said this is being done to accommodate some 60 drive volunteers canvassing the three Coast counties. The 54th 2002-2003 season will showcase Elizabeth Von Trapp of the

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famed Von Trapp Family Singers; the back-by-popular request Three Hits and a Miss; Southern Fried Jazz Band and the celebrated Sister Esther and the Harlem Gospel Singers.

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I was impressed. But I was young then and had not become acquainted with a little common biting midge found locally called by the unscientific but aptly descriptive name, no-see-

Let's be blunt, here there are plenty of no-see-ums. Yesterday when I plunged my shovel into the ground to transplant a small miniature crepe myrtle, the smoke-like cloud of no-seeums that swirled up contained twice the amount of chomping conodont as were in that Paleozoic sea I found on my field trip. Think about it. That was just the first shovel, and my house sits on a half acre of ground!

No-see-ums do have a scientific name, Culicoides. There are several species that bite, C. furens, C. mississippiensis, C. barbosai (now there is a name), and C. hollensis, but since I know they all bite, I've never been that much interested in finding out which particular one of the inhabit my half acre. To me they are all cut from the same cloth and that is a din-

ner napkin. Good heavens, they can be bad.

There is no question but that no-see-ums can ruin a beautiful day. In fact, the temperature has a great deal to do with their pres-

Balmy days in spring and fall that are seemingly ideal for us to enjoy life are seemingly as ideal for them to emerge and dine. This is especially true in the early morning and late evening.

I'm told that it is just the female that does the biting using small cutting teeth on elongated mandibles contained in their proboscis to make small bites in the skin (small being relative here). The blood that flows as a result of the bite pools and is sucked up by the hungry no-see-um.

When this happens, you look down and don't see anything. There is nothing... wait, yes, there is something... a tiny dot. Slap! You got it.

But then more dots appear and bites and more slaps, and then more bites. Suddenly, you realize that there are more no-see-ums on your arm than there are angels on the head of a pin, and it is not just your arm that is being bitten.

Thinking back now on those Paleozoic Seas. I wonder if the conodonts really are extinct. After all, we really don't know what they looked like.

(Just a footnote. People swear by different repellents that are effective with no-see-ums. Locally, 'Skin So Soft' is very popular. But if you can't stand the idea of permeating your surroundings with the aroma of a picaroon dandy, use my favorite: sprays or balms containing N, N-diethylmeto-foluamide. It really works. Try a repellent containing a percentage of anywhere between 20 and 29. The labels of repellents containing this usually advertise the percentages in big letters. Be careful though; try a little on your skin to see if you are allergic to it.)

Waveland Reading Fair



Waveland Elementary hosted its annual Reading Fair. Pictured are the 2001/2002 winners: Cody Klein (group), Brice Thomas (3rd grade), Domonick Herron (k), Brooke Thomas(1st grade) and Kaitlyn Johnston (2nd grade). After competing against North Bay Elementary, Brice, Domonick, Brooke and Kaltiyn's posters went on to compete in the regional competition in Wiggins.

Garden -- roses

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Peace, the most honored

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AARS winner that is a deep rose of all time; and First saturated yellow. Prize, an enormous, deep-Patrick has received rave pink blossom rose with reviews with its golden-yelgreat fragrance. low tinged with green. A few of my favorite flori-Other great yellow roses are bundas are Bill Warriner Gold Medal, a grandiflora; (salmon coral), Sexy Rexy Sunsprite and Sun Flare,

das; and Golden Showers, a climbing rose. Some of my other favorite hybrid teas that are easy to find and among the most beautiful are Pristine, which is ivory and pink;

(pink), Love Potion (deep lavender with fragrance), Playboy (mostly orange with a splash of yellow) and Angel Face (deep mauvelavender blossom that is very fragrant).

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dethatcher for the weekend would be the best method of removing excess thatch.

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lawn and tracking into the house must be considered. You will not get that much

of an advantage in earlier green-up. As you have gathered from my comments by now, my bottomfine is DON'T DO IT.

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David Dorn earns Eagle Scout Award at Court of Honor event

David A. Dorn, II of Boy Scout Troop 210 Waveland, received his Eagle Scout Award at a Court of Honor on Jan. 5.

The highest rank in scouting is that of Eagle. Setting out to advance through the ranks of scouting and become an Eagle Scout is an ambitious goal, requiring dedication and hard work.

Fewer than 4 percent of all scouts earn the eagle rank - a testament to its high standards. He also received his God and Life Award, which challenges youths to integrate their religious faith into their daily lives.

Dorn is the son of David and Eileen Dorn of Waveland. He is the grandson of Mary Wilcox of Clermont Harbor and the late Delmer Wilcox; Donald and Mary Beth Dorn of Kiln; and the late Betty Gene Dorn .

Dorn is a 10th grade homeschooler and has been in scouting for nine years. He is the youngest boy in

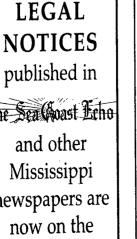


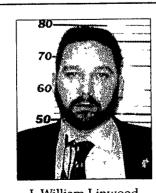
David Dorn, II

his troop to achieve the rank of Eagle. His Eagle project benefited Hope Haven, a shelter for abused and neglected children in Hancock County.

The Pine Buff Area Council honored Dorn Feb. 22 at an Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner.

The dinner was hosted in honor of the 56 boys from the Pine Burr area who earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 2001. Senator Trent Lott was the guest speaker.





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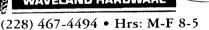
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REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

By Father Jerome LeDoux, SVD



Riding high in life

'The mule man is here!" and wheeled around as I was crossing the rectory patio en route to the dumpster out in the back yard. With a great deal of surprise and incredulity, I mumbled, "Huh? What?"

"The mule man is here!" the secretary repeated with a happy smile.

For the last couple of ices.

Now, for the first time ever, and we hope henceforth as a regular tradition, Joe Butler, the mule man, had come to us without

"At ten o'clock!" rejoined with a huge amount of enthusiasm.

"Thank you! Thank you for remembering us and coming to us! I have been on the verge of calling you for two days, but I was not sure of your number. And here you are before I had time to track your number down."

and chipper, I began to reminisce, especially after getting a phone call from Dana Harpster of the local daily, inquiring about my Palm Sunday experiences over the years. Especially, Dana wanted to know how this had come about and how long I had been doing it.

sized St. Martin de Porres knew they were fair-weath-Church in Prairie View, er followers who, together Texas, where I had just settled in on September 17, 1981, a conviction came over me as Holy Week approached a half year later that I should imitate what Jesus did on Palm Sunday when he rode a jackass into

In ready answer to my prayer, Charles Kmiec, a local farmer, supplied a small but powerful jackass which carried me proudly amid the curious, smiling parishioners who waved their palms and shouted hosannas.

Thus, very quietly, a tradition was born which

Only one time priest, and again seven up by a prepaid cocaine with a horse, did I miss my Palm Sunday Jesus ride.

Why do it? First of all, replicating what Jesus did is usually worth a try. I only wish I could walk on water. Secondly, it captures the everyone. Isn't that what the liturgy of religious services is all about? Whatever helps us think of Jesus more often is good.

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The Bible Says

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Matthew Chapter 27 and 28, Verse 27: "Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the praetorium, and they gathered the whole battalion before him.

And they stripped him and put a scarlet.robe upon him, and plaiting a crown of thorns, they put it on his head, and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him they mocked him, saying 'Hail, King of the Jews!'

And they spat upon him and took the reed and struck him on the

Jesus was standing there taking this ridicule and beating for you and for me.

You see, this is where we would have been standing some day, but Jesus took our place out of his great love for us.

Verse 45: "Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, la ma sa bach tha ni?' That is, 'My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

This is when God laid all the sins of the world on him; for Jesus did not cry, "My father, my father!" but "My God, my God!" The man Jesus was taking our place on that terri-

ble cross.

Verse 50: "And Jesus cried again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

Now for the disciples and the people who were there, it was all over - the Nazarene was dead. By this time, Satan had all his army of demons lined up in hell to hail him still ruler of death and the world.

But their jubilation was short lived; for through the corridors of hell came a brilliant light - the Lion of Judah, the Lord Jesus. Jesus took the spiritual Keys of Hell away from Satan forever; now Jesus is the judge of life and death and of who will live eternally with

Chapter 28, Verse 18: In this verse Jesus has returned to his disciples and he says: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations."

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I stopped in mid-stride

days I had been trying to get around to calling the mule man because Palm Sunday was fast approaching and we needed his serv-

being asked.

'What time do you want me to be here?" were the first words on his lips.

Feeling good, reassured

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endures to this day.

Lafayette, Louisiana, while I was replacing a sick years ago, when I was stood addict who failed to show

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Palm Sunday's ride is also a reminder of our fractured human values which place celebrity, fame and power at a premium. We run pell-mell, head over heels in the direction of celebrities or even people in their train, because all of us, each in our own little way, want to be riding high through life.

Our secret desire, quite likely unbeknown to ourselves, is to be, if not a superstar ourselves, at least a satellite cruising in orbit around a superstar whom we admire and would like to imitate in some capacity.

Somewhere deep in our mind lives our own unique version of riding high in life.

The trouble with riding high is that it is a long way down to the ground, and the sudden stop when we drop can be very painful. Any stumble, any sudden, unexpected spooking of the horse may bring us down in a hurry.

transit mundi," "Thus passes the glory of the world," the warning words to a pope being installed, is a byproduct of Palm Sunday, reminding the popes, all the leaders and us that glory, fame and celebrity are ephemeral, extremely transient things which have no value in themselves.

Riding high on Palm Sunday, Jesus, who knew everything there was to be known about everything, saw through the frenzied jubilation of the people in and around Jerusalem. He with even his chosen, would turn him over to death in five days.

Jesus did not even get to enjoy his celebrity status, because his profound knowledge of perverse human nature and his mind-bending understanding of the painful workings of our salvation history forced him to see things as they really were, not as the loud hosannas would have

him believe. We can still ride high in life, we can thrive as every person wants to thrive, and it will be well with our soul as long as we keep our Palm Sunday ride in perspective with our Good Friday walk behind Jesus himself. That Good Friday walk is outlined by Jesus in his chal-

lenge to each human being: 'Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself. take up his cross, and follow

me" (Matthew 16:24). From ride to walk, we see our whole life waffle back and forth between triumph and failure, praise and belittlement, exultation and gloom, as our personal Palm Sunday rapidly changes over into Good Friday. In the end, however, we will be riding high as Easter takes over our life forever.

The "Word" for the Week

Is God real?

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aul was an intellectu- purpose come from? al giant. Had he not devoted his life to Christ, Paul would be studied today along with Plato and

Aristotle. Paul taught the created world is a revelation of God. It displays God's eternal power and divine nature.

"For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made" (Romans 1:20).

For example, an acorn carries within it the plan for growing an oak tree. The purpose to grow an oak tree is also within that acorn.

Did the acorn come up with that plan? Did the acorn also determine to carry out that plan? Of course not. Then where did this plan and

Evolutionists say this plan and purpose for oak trees came about by chance. But chance merely describes the probability that something will take place.

When a coin is tossed, we speak of a fifty-fifty chance of it coming up heads. But chance cannot manufacture

anything. And chance has nothing to do with why acorns produce oak Rather, those little acorns point

to the God of creation who has a plan for everything. And those little acorns point to the God of creation who has a purpose for every-

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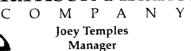
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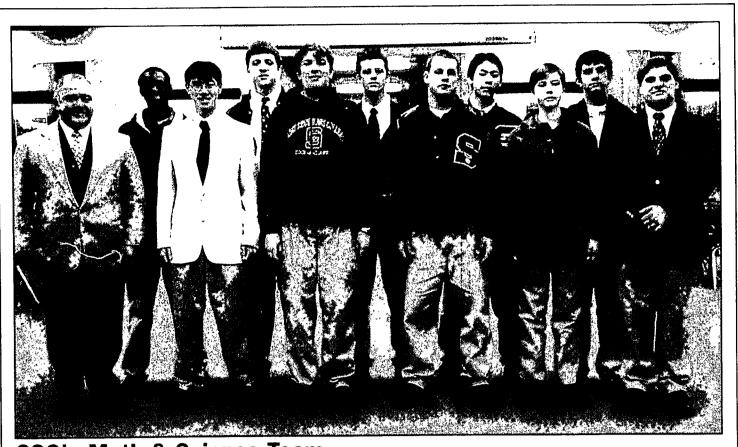
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SSC's Math & Science Team In front from left, moderator Jim Thriffiley, Sherwin Leung, Rodrigo Sevilla, Frederick Mallini, Andrew Waterman, and Brian Landry; in back, Cheick Sanankoua, Peter Murphy, Nathan Sison, Phillip Oh, and Taylor Butterworth.

SSC places in Science/Math Tournament

and Science Team placed at the 28th annual College Mississippi Ronald Hingle, SC, princi-

Senior Robert Morell earned first place in the state in computer science and third place in mathe\$12,000 in scholarships. Junior Phillip Oh and

senior Cheick Sanankoua Science and Mathematics each placed in the top 5% Tournament Feb. 1, in mathematics and according to Brother earned \$2,000 in scholar-

Senior Sherwin Leung placed in the top 10% in mathematics and earned a \$2,000 scholarship.

mathematics and earned a \$1,200 scholarship.

Panel In the Competition, seniors Butterworth, Taylor Frederick Mallini, Bobby Cheick Morell, and Sanankoua finished fifth in the state.

In the Computer Programming Contest, Senior Rodrigo Sevilla seniors Brian Landry,

Saint Stanislaus Math matics. He received placed in the top 12% in Sherwin Leung, Rodrigo Sevilla, and junior Nathan Sison won first place.

SSC's Math and Science Team finished first place in both the Computer Programming Contest and in the Written Computer Competition.

Other members of the team are juniors Peter Murphy and Ryan Bierkortte.

PRCC moves ahead with building projects

the main focus of attention Tuesday during the March meeting of the Pearl River Community College Board of Trustees.

The March meeting was moved up a week due to spring break next week.

Bids will be opened April 2 on two projects, including construction and landscaping for a new entrance to the Poplarville campus, and construction of a new parking lot on the Forrest County Center Hattiesburg.

Bids will also be opened April 11 on renovation work to the Student Center on the Poplarville campus. Those plans include expanding the cafeteria and book distribution area, adding a lounge area with views into the courtyard and building carrels for students to use between classes.

"We want this building to focus on the needs of the students," said PRCC President William Lewis. "That includes providing quiet spaces where they can study and work. The center can also have a conference center function where we can attract groups from all over the state for meetings."

Lewis also told the board plans are full steam ahead on a new site in the Forrest Hattiesburg-County Industrial Park for

Building projects were a new Advanced Technology Center. A new site had to be found due to a ground problem with the original site.

The Mississippi Legislature has set aside \$4 million to build the center.

"We have a good location near the (Forrest County) Multi Purpose Center," said Lewis. "Drawings have been submitted to the state (Buildings Commission). We are happy to have this project on track now." In other business, the board:

• Recognized the String of Pearls for winning the national championship in the 2002 United States Team Dance/Drill Championships held at Universal Studios in Orlando, Fla. The String of Pearls, under the direction of Archie Rawls, Fine Arts chairman at PRCC, won both categories in jazz and pom pons.

• Recognized the DECA program at PRCC, which recently won 11 medals in 12 events at the statewide Delta Epsilon Chi conference in Gulfport. Marketing instructor Carol Williams is the faculty sponsor for DECA.

 Received word that Clifton Wade, director of buildings and grounds, and Sheryl McMillan, special projects personnel, will retire at the end of the school year in June.







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IN THE CHANCERY CLERK OF

IN THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM JAMES THOMAS, deceased ALICE THOMAS GUILLOT ADMINISTRATRIX NO. 2000-216

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF WILLIAM JAMES THOMAS, DECEASED YOU HAVE BEEN MADE A DEFENDANT IN THE SUIT FILED IN THIS COURT BY ALICE THOMAS GUILLOT, ADMINISTRATRIX, SEEKING PETITION TO ESTABLISH HEIRS AND CLOSE ESTATE YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THIS COMPLAINT OR PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9 30 O'CLOCK AM ON THE 1 DAY OF MAY 2002. IN THE COURTROOM OF THE CHANCERY COURT, AT THE HANCOCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT BAY ST LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS, DEMANIPED IN

WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER PLEADING, BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF YOU DESIRE Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 20 day of March, 2002 (Seal)

Timothy A Kellar

Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi BY Erica Candebat D C Dated 03/20/02

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CHALLENGE FINANCIAL INVESTORS CORP.
PLAINTIFF
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CORPORATION, D/B/A EQUICREDIT CORPORATION/ALA. & MISS., DENNIS HOLIFIELD,
as Trustee, DANA CAPITAL GROUP, INC., as Trustee, DANA CAPITAL GROUP, INC.,
JACK McGHEE, A California Corporation, as Trustee, DIVERSIFIED CAPITAL CORPORATION OF TENNESSEE, MORTGAGE
ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS,
INC., Trustee for HOUSEHOLD FINANCE
CORPORATION, FREDERICK SHIELDS FAIR
and SUZY B. FAIR AND MISSISSIPPI STATE
TAX COMMISSION DEFENDANTS
NO 2001-889

NO. 2001-889 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO FREDERICK SHIELDS FAIR

Address Unknown
JACK McGHEE, A California Corporation
Address Unknown
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed
in this Court by Challenge Financial, investors
Corporation, Plaintiff, seeking to establish a lien
on real property and for decloration of priority of

liens Defendants other than you in this action are Nationscredit Financial Services Corporation. Nationscredit Financial Services Corporation, db/a Equicredit Corporation/ALA. & MISS, Dennis Holifield, as Trustee, Dana. Capital Group, Inc., Diversified Capital Corporation of Tennessee. Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems. Inc. Trustee for Household Finance Corporation and Suzy B Fair and Mississippi State Tax Commission. You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to. Robert C Galloway, attorney for the Plaintiff, whose post office address is Post Office Drawer 4248, Gulfport, MS 39502, and whose street address is 1300 Twenty Fifth Avenue, Suite 204, Whitney National Bank Building, Gulfport, MS 39501
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 17 Day of March 2002 WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THE SUMMONS IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOUFOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT

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You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable lime affected.

time afterward Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 13 day of March, 2002

Tim A Keller, Chancery Clerk

By Larrinell Scarborough Deputy Clerk

3/17, 3/24, 3/31/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF SYLVESTER JOHN TURNER
THOMAS T. TURNER
CAUSE NO. 2001-903
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Testamentary having been granted on
the 27th day of February, 2002, by the Chancery
Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Sylvester John
Turner, deceased, Cause No. 2001-903, notice is
hereby given to all persons having claims against hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they will be for-wer harred.

ever barred.
This 11 day of March, 2002.
THOMAS T. TURNER, Executor
Dated: 03/27/02

OLEN LLOYD ANDERSON Attorney for EXECUTOR P.O. Box 3581 Bay St. Louis, MS 39521-3581 elephone: 463-9090 facsimile: 463-0431 AS Bar No. 10050 13/31; 04/07; 04/14/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF
HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF SYLVESTER JOHN TURNER
THOMAS T. TURNER
CAUSE NO. 2001-903
SUMMONS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS-ATLAW OF SYLVESTER JOHN TURNER, DECEASED, AND ANY OTHER PERSON CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND
TO THE ESTATE OF SYLVESTER JOHN
TURNER, DECEASED
YOU have been made respondents in the lawsuif
filed in this Court by THOMAS T. TURNER Executor

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The Petition filed against you has initiated a crvil
action seeking to have Sylvester John Turner
Thomas T Turner Patnck M Turner and Joe
Anne Turner Jones adjudicated and decreed by
this Court to be the sole and only heirs at law of
SYLVESTER JOHN TURNER DECEASED as
fully set out in the Petition on file in the Chancery
Court of Hancock County Mississippi
YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR and defend against the petition filed against you in this
action at 9 30 o clock a m on the 1st day of May
2002, in the courtroom of the HANCOCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX 306 Hwy 90 Bay
St Louis Mississippi and in case of your failure

TY COURTHOUSE ANNEX 306 Hwy 90 Bay St Louis Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire ISSUED under my hand and seal of this Court on this the 27 day of March. 2002

TIMOTHY A KELLER CHANCERY CLERK

CHANCERY CLERK BY Pamela Cuevas D C DATED 3/27/02

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI JAKE E. COSPELICH AND GINA COSPELICH COMPLAINANTS

VERSUS
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, JOY ROSEMOND FAVALORO, DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS
HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT,
TITLE OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT
DEFENDANTS DEFENDANTS

NO. 2002-101

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SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO JOY ROSEMOND FAVALORO
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by JAKE E COSPELICH AND GINA
COSPELICH the Plaintiffs, seeking a Bill of Complaint to Confirm Title Defendants other than you in this action are THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, JOY ROSEMOND FAVALORO and DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC

ERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION INC
You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of
a written response of the Petition to Jay K Jordan, Attorney for Plaintiffs whose post office address is Post-Office Drawer 280 Gulfport MS
39502 and whose street address is 1819 24th
Avenue, Gulfport, MS 39501
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30)
DAYS AFTER THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH,
2002, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST
PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS IF YOUR
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You must also file the original of your Response

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward Issued under my hand and the seal of this Court the 27th day of March, 2002

CHANCERY COURT CLERK BY Janet McArthur DEPUTY CLERK 03/31, 04/07 04/14 04/21/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF WILMA MORAN BARRIOS, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 2002-158
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COME GREETINGS WHEREAS. WILMA MORAN BARRIOS late of WHEREAS. WILMA MORAN BARRIOS late of said County. Deceased, had while she lived, at the time of her death, divers good, rights and credits within the County and State aforesaid, and did make and publish her Last Will and Testament, and thereby constituted and appointed the said DAPHNE BARRIOS executor thereof, and whereas, also, the said Will has been admitted to probate in our said Court, and the said DAPHNE BARRIOS has taken oath and given bond as required by law

bond as required by law WE DO, THEREFORE, HEREBY GRANT unto the said DAPHNE BARRIOS there our Letters of Testamentary authorizing and empowering the said DAPHNE BARRIOS to make inventory of the estate of said testator and return the same involunt cour court as by law required, to pay first the debts of said testator, and then the legacies contained in said Will so for as the good, chattels and credits will extend and the law shall charge the said DAPHNE BARRIOS to execute and perform the said last Will exception to the true intention. the said DAPHNE BARRIOS there our Letters of form the said last Will according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and lastly to render a just and true account of her actions and doings herein, when thereto required by this Court WITNESS, HONORABLE, Carter Bise Judge of WHIVES, NOVINDEL Cate bise bodge of the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock, on the 19th day of March, in the year 2002, the seal of said Court hereunto affixed ISSUED, the 19th day of March, 2002

Timothy Kellar Chancery Clerk Kim Bonano Deputy Clerk 03/24, 03/31, 04/07/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
JUDE M. LAPOUBLE VOLLENWEIDER,
TRACY L. LAPOUBLE, KASEY E. LAPOUBLE,
AND EUGENE M. LAPOUBLE PLAINTIFFS
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AND EUGENE m. L.D. SCILL
VERSUS
ANY OTHER HEIRS AT LAW OF EUGENE VAL
LAPOUBLE, JR., DECEASED DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO. 2002-179
RULE 81 SUMMONS
(Sciemans by Publication)

(Summons by Publication) STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TO THE HEIRS AT LAW OF EGUENE VAL
LAPOUBLE, JR, Deceased, who are believed to
be non-residents of the State of Mississippi, and
whose names, place of residence, post office and
street address are unknown to the Plaintiffs after
diligent search and inquiry made to ascertain the

same:
ANY AND ALL persons having or claiming any nght, title or interest as Heirs of the Estate of Eugene Val LaPouble, Jr. Deceased whose present residence and address is unknown YOU are summoned to appear and defend against said Petition to Adjudicate as the sole and only Heirs at law of Eugene Val LaPoule, at 9.30 o'clock a m on the 22nd day of April, 2002. In the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse Annex at 306 Highway 90, Bay St Louis. Mississippi, and in the case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things de-

against you for the money or other things de-manded in the Petition for Declaration of Heir-YOU are not required to file an answer or other pleadings but you may do so if you desire
ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL of said

TIMOTHY A KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY. MS POST OFFICE BOX 550 BAY ST LOUIS, MS 39521

BY: Timothy A Kellar Chancery Clerk 03/17, 03/24, 03/31/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF

THE ESTATE OF ALFRED FRANCIS McCALEB, JR., DECEASED

BY:

ALFRED E. McCAELB, JR., ADMINISTRATOR

NO. 2002-186

CHANCERY SUMMONS

TO THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF
ALFRED FRANCIS McCALEB, JR, DECEASED,
AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY
LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN AND TO
THE ESTATE OF ALFRED E McCALEB, JR
DFCFASED

THE ESTATE OF ALFRED E MCCALEB, JH DECEASED YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear before the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 10th day of May, 2002, at 9:30 o'clock a.m., at the Hancock County Courthouse. Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, at which time a hearing will be had on the Petition to Establish Heirship in said estate, at which time you shall enter objection, if any you have.

THIS, the 27, day of March, 2002.

Tim Kellar, Chancery Clerk

Tim Kellar, Chancery Clerk By Enca Canebat, D C 03/31; 04/07; 04/14/02

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
The Waveland Housing Authority is having a public meeting to discuss the Annual Plan on April 3.
2002 at 2:00 P.M. at the Housing Authority office.
500 Camille Circle The Plan can be inspected at the office during normal business hours.
03/31/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ALFRED FRANCIS McCALEB, JR. DECEASED

ALFRED FRANCIS McCALEB, III, PETITIONER NO.2002-188 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the

27 day of March 2002 by the Chancery Court of

Hancock County Mississippi to the undersigned

Administrator upon the Estale of Alfred Francis

McCaleb Jr Deceased notice is hereby given

to all persons having claims against said estate

to present the same to the clerk of this court for

probate and registration according to the law

within ninety (90) days from the first publication of

this notice or their will be forever barred this notice or they will be forever barred. This the 27 day of March 2002

ALFRED F McCALEB, III Administrator 03/31 04/07 04/14/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI GARY L. BENNETT PLAI PLAINTIFF

VERSUS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; LOUIS C. ROBERTS;
FRANCES P. ROBERTS; DONALD E. MOORE,
AND ANY UNKNOWN PARTIES HAVING OR
CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN LOT 1, BLOCK
11, OAK HARBOR, SECTION 1, HANCOCK
COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CAUSE NO. 2002-189
SIMMONS BY PUBLICATION SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO LOUIS C ROBERTS AND FRANCES P
ROBERTS 772 W YELLOW WATER ROAD
Hammond Louisana 70403 or 14307 Piedescalzo Lane Hammond, Louisana 70403
DONALD E MOORE address unknown
UNKNOWN PARTIES addresses unknown
You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit
filed in this Court by Gary L Bennett, Plaintiff
seeking, confirmation and muleting of title of the nied in his Court by Gary E bernetit. Plantilli, seeking confirmation and quieting of title of the property located in Lot 1 Block 11 Oak Harbor Subdivision Section 1, Hancock County, Missispipi unto the Plaintiff herein either through the forfeited tax land patent or by adverse possession against all of the Defendants A Defendant other than you in this action is the State of Mississippi

sissippi You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Jonathan P. Dyal, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose post office address is Post Of-fice Box 130 and whose street address is 1310 25th Avenue Gulfport Mississippi 39502 25th Avenue Gullport Mississippi 39502
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DE-LIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30)
DAYS AFTER THE 17th DAY OF MARCH 2002.
WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICA-TION OF THIS SUMMONS IF YOUR RE-SPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED.
A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE EN-TERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COM-

PLAINT You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward (Seal)

Deputy Dated 03/11/02 03/17, 03/24, 03/31/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPP GARY BENNETT

CHARLES H. OLIVER, AMIE R. OLIVER, CHARLES H. OLIVER, AMIE R. OLIVER,
AND ANY UNKNOWN PARTIES HAVING
OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN LOT 2,
BLOCK 11, OAK HARBOR SUBDIVISION,
SECTION 1, HANCOCK COUNTY,
MISSISSIPPI DEFENDANTS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
CAUSE NO. 2002-190
TO CHARLES H OLIVER AND AMIE R OLIVER, 1000 N Sims Ave Bryan, Texas 77803
UNKNOWN PARTIES, addresses unknown
You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit

Vol have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Gary L Bennett, Plaintiff, seeking confirmation and queting of title of the property located in Lot 2, Block 11, Oak Harbor Subdivision, Section 1, Hancock County Mississippi unto the Plaintiff herein against all of the Defendants.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against You in this action to Jonathan P Dyal, Plaintiffs Attorney, whose post office address is Post Office Box 130, and whose street address is 1310 25th Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39502 YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DE-YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DE-LIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2002. WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICA-TION OF THIS SUMMONS IF YOUR RE-SPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED. A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE EN-TERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COM-PLAINT

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable

PLAINT

Timothy A Kellar, Chancery Clerk By Janet McArthur Deputy Dated 03/11/02 03/17, 03/24, 03/31/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPP **GARY BENNETT**

VERSUS
JOSEPH B. TALLEY; SANDRA L. TALLEY;
FLEET FINANCE, INC, AND ANY
UNKNOWN PARTIES HAVING OR
CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN LOT 4,

SLOCK 11, OAK HARBOR SUBDIVISION, SECTION 1, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI DEFENDANTS CAUSE NO. 2002-191
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
JOSEPH B TALLEY AND SANDRA L

TALLEY, address unknown UNKNOWN PARTIES, addresses unknown UNKNOWN PARTIES, addresses unknown You have been made Defendants in the lawsuifilled in this Court by Gary L. Bennett, Plaintiff, seeking confirmation and quieting of title of the property located in Lot 4. Block 11, Oak Harbor Subdivision, Section 1, Hancock County, Mississippi unto the Plaintiff herein against all of the Defendants A Defendant other than you in this action is Fleet Finance, Inc. You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint filed against

a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to Jonathan P. Dyal, Plaintiff's Attomey, whose post office address in Part of the Attomey, whose post office address in Part of the Attomey.

you in this action to Jonathan P Dyal, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose post office address is Post Office Box 130, and whose street address is 1310 25th Avenue, Gullport, Mississippi 39502 YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 17th DAY OF MARCH, 2002. WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED. A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward (Seal)

Timothy A Kellar Chancery Clerk By Janet McArthur Deputy Dated 03/11/02 03/17, 03/24, 03/31/02

PUBLIC NOTICE
In accordance with Section 1014 (c) of the Oil
Pollution Act of 1990 (33USC 2714 (c), the National Pollution Funds Center (NPFC) is accepting claims for certain uncompensated damages
and removal costs in connection with the discharge of oil into the Bayou Caddy on or about
18 January 2002
Damages may include damage to natural resources; damage to or loss of real or personal property. loss of subsistence use of natural resources;
loss of government revenue; loss of profits and
earning capacity; and increased cost of public
services
Generally, the requirements for presenting a PUBLIC NOTICE

services
Generally, the requirements for presenting a claim are as follows: provide all evidence to document the damages; submit the claim in writing for a specific amount; and include the claim-ant's signature in ink. Specific requirements for presenting claims may be found in the Federal Register (57 FR 36314) published August 12, 1992. Claims presented many include claims for short-term damages representing less than the full amount to which the claimant ultimately may be entitled. It should be noted that payment of such claims shall not preclude recovery for damines shall not preclude recovery for dam-

such claims shall not preclude recovery for dam-ages not reflected in the paid or settled partial claims Claims should be mailed to the following address

Claims should be mailed to the following address National Pollution Funds Center (ca)
Attn: Claims-FPN N02048
4200 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22203-1804
Normal business hours are from 8:00 a m to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday. To have a Standard Claim Form sent or to obtain To have a Standard Claim Form sent of to obtain more information, claimants may call Ms. Gina Strange (202) 493-6847 or (800) 280-7118 for information. The Standard Claim Form can be found on the Internet at www.uscg.mi/Phq/npte.htm. 03/31; 04/04, 04/07; 04/11; 04/14, 04/18; 04/21; 04/25/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI **GARY L. BENNETT** PLAINTIFF

GARY L. BENNET :
VERSUS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; HANDY E
RUSSELL; GLORIA RUSSELL, FLEET
FINANCE, INC.; AND ANY UNKNOWN
PARTIES HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY
INTEREST IN LOT 5, BLOCK 11, OAK
HARBOR, SECTION 1, HANCOCK COUNTY.
MISSISSIPPI
DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO.2002-192

CAUSE NO 2002-192
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO RANDY E RUSSELL AND GLORIA RUSSELL address unknown
UNKNOWN PARTIES addresses unknown
UNKNOWN PARTIES addresses unknown
You have been made Detendants in the lawsuit
filled in this Courf by Gary L Bennett Plaintiff
seeking confirmation and quieting of title of the
property located in Lot 5 Block 11 Oak Harbor
Subdivision Section 1 Hancock County Missis
sippi unto the Plaintiff herein either through the
forfeited tax land patent or by adverse posses
sion against all of the Defendants Defendants
other than you in this action are the State of Mis
sissippi and Fleet Finance Inc.
You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of
a written response to the Complaint filed against
you in this action to Jonathan P Dyal Plaintiff's
Attorney whose post office address is Post Of
fice Box 130 and whose street address is 1310
25th Avenue Gulfport Mississippi 39502
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DE
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Timothy A Kellar Chancery Clerk By Janet McArthur 03 17 03 24 03/31 02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI EARL JOHNSON, JR. PLAINTI

EARL JOHNSON, JR. PLAINTIFF
VERSUS
GENE THOMAS PONTIFF, IF LIVING, IF NOT,
HIS UNKNOWN DEVISEES, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS;
MIKE MOORE, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF MIS-

SISSIPPI; TIM A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK OF HAN-TIM A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; CONO CARANNA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF HANCOCK
COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS, FIRMS, OR CORPORATIONS, HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY
TITLE, RIGHT OF INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT
REAL PROPERTY DEFENDANTS
NO. 2002-201
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO Gene Thomas Pontiff if living if not his un-

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO Gene Thomas Pontiff if living if not his unknown heirs devisees and assigns and to any and all persons, firms or corporations having or claiming to have any title right or interest in and to the subject real property identities unknown who are not to be found in the State of Mississippi after diligent search and inquiry and whose last known places of residence, street and post office addresses are and remain unknown after diligent search and inquiry made by Plaintiff to ascertain same, said real property described as
Lot 4 Block 164 SHORELINE PARK, UNIT 7 ADDITION 5 a subdivision of Hancock County Mississippi as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi YOU HAVE BEEN MADE A DEFENDANT IN THE SUIT FILED IN THIS COURT BY EARL JOHNSON JR SEEKING COMPLAINT FOR CONFIRMATION OF FORFEITED TAX LAND PATENT DEFENDANTS OTHER THAN YOU IN THIS ACTION ARE CONO CARANNA TIM A KELLAR, AND MIKE MOORE
YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THIS COMPLAINT OR PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 930 O'CLOCK A M ON THE 23 DAY OF APPILL, 2002, IN THE COURTHOOM OF THE CHANCERY COURTH OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT BAY'ST LOUIS MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAIL URE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED IN WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER THINGS DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER PLEADING. BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF YOU DESIRE
Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court
this 13 day of March, 2002
(Seal)

BY Larrinell Scarborough 03/17 03/24, 03/31'02

Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI JAMES L. WHITE and LAUREL L. WHITE PLAINTIFFS VERSUS CARL R. SELF and MARGARET SELF and all

CARL R. SELF and MARGARET SELF and all other persons claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in and to a portion of real property known as Lot 3 and the Southwest 20 feet of Lot 2, Square 311, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit No. 3, Addition No. 1, Hancock County, Mississippi as per the official plat of said subdivision on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO: 2002-204

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO All persons claiming any right, title, estate lien or interest in and to a portion of real property known as Lot 3 and the Southwest 20 feet of Lot 2, Square 311, Shoreline Park Subdivision. Unit No 3, Addition No 1, Hancock County, Mississippi as per the official plat of said subdivision on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County. County, Mississippi
You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed

rou nave been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by James L. White and Laurel L. White. Plaintiffs, seeking adverse possession to the above real property. Defendants other than you in this action are Carl R. Self and Margaret Self. response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to RONALD J ARTIGUES, JR GEX AND ARTIGUES. Attorney for the Plaintiffs whose post office address is Post Office Box 47

whose post office address is Post Office Box 47 Waveland, Mississippi, 39576, and whose address is 700 Highway 90. Suite A, Waveland Mississippi, 39576
YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 17TH DAY OF MARCH, 2002, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DE-

FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DE-MANDED IN THE COMPLAINT You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable

Issued under my hand and the seal of said court, this the 14th day of March 2002 (SEAL)

TIMOTHY A KELLAR BY Janet McArthur Chancery Clerk of Hancock County P O Box 550 Bay St Louis MS 39520 3/17, 3/24, 3/31/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE MARGARET LIND SEGLUND, Deceased COUNTY OF HANCOCK

CAUSE NO. 2002-215 **EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS** EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters testamentary having been granted on the
19th day of March, 2002, by the Chancery Court
of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Margaret Lind Seglund, deceased, notice is herby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present
the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate
and registered according to law within 90 days and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred This 19 day of March, A D., 2002

JAMES A SEGLUND, Executor

03/24; 03/31, 04/07, 04/14/02

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NO. 2002-219

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary on the estate of John D Lahare, Deceased, were on the estate of John D Lahare, Deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court, Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 20 day of March, 2002, and all persons having claim against said estate are hereby notified to present their claims to the Clerk of said Court and to have them probated and allowed within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, failure to do so will bar the claim This the 20 day of March, 2002.

John D, Lahare, Deceased

John D. Lahare, Deceased Chris David Lahare, Executor

Chris David Li
STEVEN J. IRWIN (Bar No. 3033)
ATTORNEY AT LAW
One Galleria Blvd., Surte 1510
Metairie, Louisiana 70001
TEL: (504)832-0999
FAX: (504) 836-7269
03/24; 03/31; 04/07/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF MILLICENT C BRODTMANN MERIC
CIVIL ACTION NO 2002-222 EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

MILLICENT C BRODTMANN MERIC STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK

COUNTY OF HANCOCK Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 21st day of March 2002 by the Chancery Court of Hancock County. Mississippi to the under signed upon the estate of MILLICENT C BRODTMANN MERIC deceased notice is here by given to all persons having claims against said court for Probate and registered according to law within ninety 1901 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This the 21st day of March 2002 EDWOOD S BRODTMANN III J P COMPRETTA

Afformey at Law P O Box 57 Bay St. Louis MS 39520 (228) 467 1010 MSB #6429 03 24 03 31 04 07 02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
MARGIE KNUE PAGE COBB. DECEAS
CAUSE NO 2002-86 DECEASED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on
the 5th day of February 2002 by the Chancery
Court of Hancock County, Mississippi to the undersigned upon the Estate of MARGIE KNUE
PAGE COBB idecreased notice is hereby given
to all persons having claims against said Estate
to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for
Probate and registered according to law within 90
days from this date of they will be forever barred.
This the 8th day of March 2002
CRAIG COBB Administrator
CLEMENT SIBENVENUTTI
Attorney for A Immissibility
125 Court Street
P O Box 585
Bay St. Louis, MS 345-29 STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 12281 467 0744 MS BAR NO 2435 NOTICE OF AN APPEAL HEARING REGARD-

NOTICE OF AN APPEAL HEARING REGARD-ING MISSISSIPPI MANUFACTURED HOUSING ASSOCIATION APPEAL OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION'S DECISION RELATING TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING
An appeal Hearing will be held before the Hancock County Board of Supervisors on Wednesday April 17 2002 at 200 pm in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room located at the Hancock County Courthouse 150 Main Street Bay St Louis Mississippi 39520 regarding the Mississippi Manufactured Housing Association's Appeal of the Hancock County Planning Zoning Commission's decision relating to a zoning prdinance amendment included (1) eliminating manufactured homes as a conditional use in R-2 Zoning Districts Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County Mississippi this the 4th day of March 2002 (Seal)

Clerk Board of Supervisors By Kathy Brooks D C 03/24 03/31 02 SECTION 77-3-16

Timothy A Kellar

SECTION 7:3-16
NOTICE TO QUALIFIED PUBLIC
UTILITY CONTRACTORS
AND SUPPLIERS
FRANKLIN TELEPHONE COMPANY INC
DELTA TELEPHONE COMPANY INC
TELEPAK INC
TELEPAK NETWORKS INC
Notice is brighty piven pursuant to Section

TELEPAK NETWORKS INC
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 77-316 of the Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended
(Act) by each of the above named public utilities
to each qualified contractor and supplier who desires to have its name added to the separate list
maintained by each utility of contractors and suppliers qualified to perform contracts within the
scope of proposed utility projects covered by said
Act to advise the particular public utility above
named of said desire by a writing mailed certified
mail return réceipt requested to such utility at
the addresses shown below Any requests to be
added must clearly identify the legal name of the added must clearly identify the legal name of the contractor/supplier and its mailing address and the utility or utilities to which said request is dithe utility or utilities to winch said request is of-rected. Further, each request must include a brief description of the contractor or supplier a de-tailed description of the services offered and ap-propriate references which establish its ability and qualifications to perform contracts for con-truction, extension, and or repair of tacilities of struction extension and or repair of facilities of the public utility within the scope of said Act and

for which it desires to be listed Utility Contractors and Suppliers List Manage Attention Mrs Whitehead
125 South Congress Street Suite 1100
Jackson Mississippi 39201-3304
with a separate copy mailed direct to the President of each company to which the request is directed as follows
President
(Insert Name of Company)
125 South Congress Street Suite 1100
Jackson Mississippi 39201-3304
03 31 102 Attention Mrs Whitehead

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NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S SALE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK I NICHOLAS M HAAS Substituted Trustee in Deed of Trust from Charles W Madden and Theresa N Lepley to Fidelity National Corporation D/B-A Republic Finance Inc Beneficiary, dated November 14 2001 recorded in Book 663

tion D/BJA Republic Finance Inc Beneficiary, dated November 14 2001 recorded in Book 663 Page 770 Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land of Hancock County, Mississippi, being requested by holder on the debt secured to foreclose same for default therein will on April 23 2002 during legal hours offer for sale and sell at public outcry for cash to the highest and best bidder at the front door of the Courthouse of said Country, the real property described as Lot 4 Square 128 SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION UNIT NO 7 ADDITION NO 3 Hancock County Mississippi as per plat of said subdivi County Mississippi as per plat of said subdivi-sion of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk

of Hancock County. Mississippi being the proper ty described in said Deed of Trust. ty described in said beed of Trust.

The undersigned was substituted as Trustee by instrument dated March 19 2002 recorded in Book 684. Page 275 of said Deed of Trust Rewill convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee ADVERTISED POSTED and SIGNED this the

28th day of March 2002 Nicholas M Haas Esquire Attorney at Law 624 Highway 90 Waveland MS 39576 Telephone (228) 467-3935 MSB NO 5090 03:31 04/07 04 14 04 21/02

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Public Notices

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS on January 20 2000 RANDY
BROUSSARD executed a Deed of Trust to
GERALD C GEX Trustee for the benefit of
MARY PERRAULT which deed of Trust is re
corded in Deed of Trust Record Book 580 pages
157 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Han
cock County State of Mississippi and
WHEREAS MARY PERRAULT heretofore substituted Clement S Benvenutti as Trustee by in
strument dated February 19 2002 which was re
corded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Han
cock County Mississippi in Deed of Trust Record
Book 679 pages 587 588 and
WHEREAS default having been made in the
terms and conditions of the said Deed of Trust
and the entire debt secured thereby having been
declared to be due and payable in accordance
with terms of the Deed of Trust and the legal
holder of the indebtedness MARY PERRAULT
having requested the undersigned Substituted
Trustee to execute the trust and sell the land and
property in accordance with the terms of the said
Deed of Trust for the purposes of raising the
sums due thereunder together with Attorney's
fees Substituted Trustee fees and the expense
of the sale

fees Substituted Trustee fees and the expense of the sale NOW THEREFORE I CLEMENT S BENVE NUTTI Substitute Trustee in said Deed of Trust will on the Monday the 1st day of April 2002 of feer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11.00 A M and 4.00 P M.) at the main froit door at the county courthouse at Bay the hours of 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM i at the main front door at the county courthouse at Bay SI Louis County of Hancock State of Mississippi the following described property situated in the County of Hancock State of Mississippi to wit 1:0st 12 and 13 Block 333 SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION UNIT NO 3 ADDITION NO 1 Hancock County Mississippi as per plat of said subdivision of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as substituted trustee.

me as substituted trustee WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the 5th day of CLEMENT S BENVENUTTI Substitute Trustee
125 Court Street
125 Court Street
Post Office Box 585
Bay St Louis MS 39520
Telephone (228) 467-0744
MS BAR NO 2435
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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCI SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS ON November 22 2000 OLLIE J MORAN AND WIFE SUZANNE M MORAN executed a Deed of Trust to PAUL CENTANNI Trustee for the benefit of MS CREDIT CENTER INC DIB/A MS LOAN CENTER which deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 611 pages 870-871, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County State of Mississippi and WHEREAS MS CREDIT CENTER INC DBAMS LOAN CENTER Perpetiors substituted Clem-

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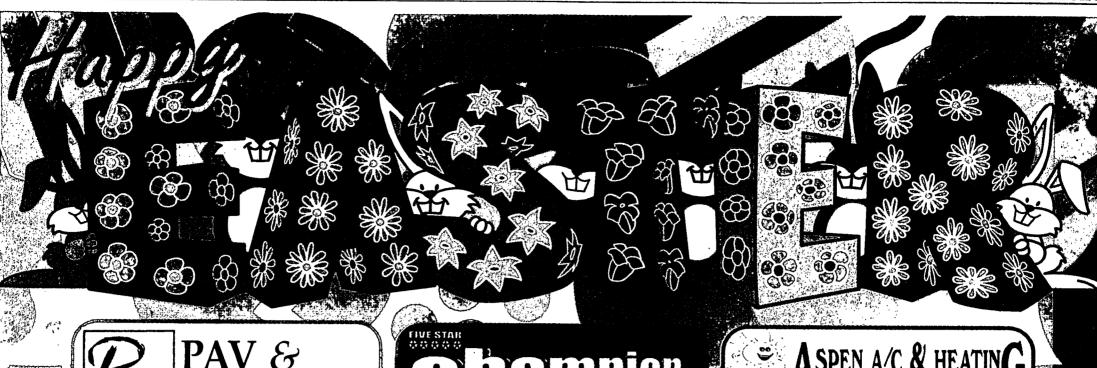
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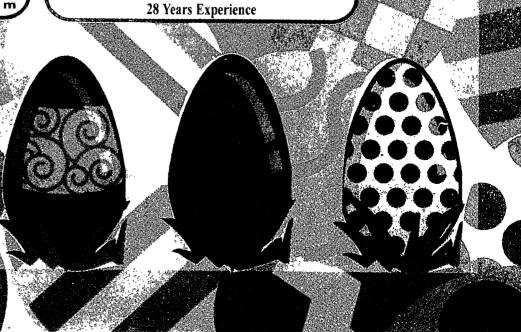


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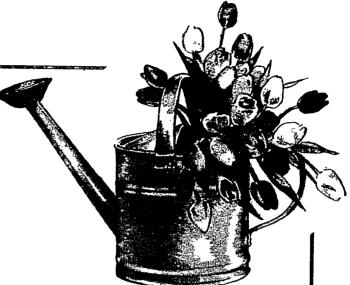
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Planning Is the Key to Home Fix-Ups

Warm spring weather encourages homeowners to get outside and improve their homes. Proper planning will make the job much easier.

No matter who will be doing the work, a contractor or a do-it-yourselfer, proper planning is an important part of any home-improvement project. Contractors should be notified exactly as to what the homeowner accomplished. Homeowners need to meet with professionals, explain the work and get realistic estimates. Do-it-yourselfers also should plan ahead to ensure they have set aside enough time for the project, have the right equipment and materials and understand the work.

Having the proper equipment means having the tools specifically designed for the task at hand, but also having tools that are in good condition. It is a nice idea to check that tools are in working order before beginning a project. All handles should be fixed firmly into the tool's working end, and jaw teeth,

cutters and blades should be sharp. Throw away any damaged tools.

If, when planning a project. do-it-yourselfers find that they don't have a tool they need, they can buy, rent or borrow it. Renting or borrowing allows them to see if they like a particular model or brand, making the decision easier when they finally decide to buy the tool. If people want to buy the tool. many home-improvement professionals recommend going to a knowledgeable local dealer.

After getting the proper equipment, homeowners should follow the manufacturer's instructions when using each tool. Tools should be kept clean, dry and away from excessive heat. Instead of rocking a tool, there should be steady pressure on jaws or cutters. Before using the tool near electricity, the current should be shut off.

With the proper planning and right tools and materials, people are well on their way to a successful project and a more beautiful home.

Fround rules for repairing household

When it comes to upgrading or repairing household wiring and electrical systems, homeowners usually call a licensed professional to do the work. But whether you own your home or rent an apartment, bringing the wiring in your residence up to the current National Electrical Code could enhance your safety every time you flip a switch or plug into an outlet.

The NEC sets the minimum electrical standards for essentially all cities, states and municipalities throughout the United States. In all likelihood, your local electrical codes are based on rules set down in the NEC, which is reviewed, revised and updated every three years. Here are some Code highlights that should concern you the most:

• Most homeowners are aware that the electrical system must be grounded to the main incoming water pipe right?

But how many know that that alone is no longer sufficient, according to the NEC?

Because increasing use of plastic water pipe and nonconducting fittings has made the effectiveness of grounding to plumbing systems questionable, the method does not meet current safety standards.

Although water lines still must be used in most circumstances, the Code now states that the home may also require one or more "supplemental grounding electrodes" buried in the house foundation or in the earth outside the home.

One or more copper-clad grounding rods several feet in length are often recommended. Local code enforcement may also require that grounding rods be added to existing homes when new electrical work is done, or if you sell your home.

• To increase safety in areas of the home where it counts the most, the NEC requires that ground-fault circuit interrupters, or GFCIs, be installed in specific locations.

Outlets in so-called "wet" locations such as kitchens, baths and crawl spaces, as

well as in damp areas like unfinished basements, garages and outdoors, now require GFCI protection.

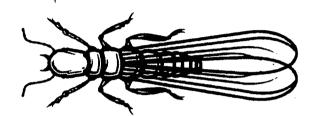
This can be achieved by installing new outlets with built-in GFCIs (identifiable by their "Test" and "Reset'

buttons), or by GFCI circuit beyond GFCIs are arc-fault breakers wired into the house service panel.

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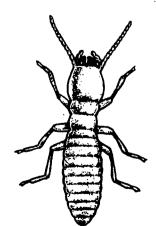
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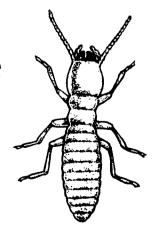
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That Cute Little Shoppe 237 Coleman Ave. Wavgland, MS anced diet of beneficial soil amendments. Compost made up of organic materials like fruit and vegetable peelings, lawn and garden debris, as well as other things - can help a garden flourish. And, when combined with a proven soil amendment like peat moss, compost turns ordinary soil into the rich, dark, vibrant "black gold" that gardeners crave.

The combination of peat moss and compost is like a vitamin shot designed to build healthy soil. Think of peat moss and compost as two of the most important "food groups" for your lawn. Separately, they're building blocks that supply soil with many of the critical elements



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together, they're even more effective, providing a balanced, nutritious meal that can ensure a healthy garden for an entire season.

Here's a simple recipe: Spread 1 to 2 inches of peat moss and 1 to 2 inches of compost over your garden, then dig them into the top 6 to 8 inches of soil.

How does it work? When peat is blended with compost it does two things: First, because peat stays in soil for years, it helps balance the faster-decomposing compost, which breaks down in a few months. The longer organic matter stays in the soil, the more good it does. Second, peat reduces compost's tendency to compact, loosening the soil and allowing water and oxygen to flow to a

good gardening. But plant's roots. The peat/compost duo also saves time and money by reducing the amount of water and fertilizer a garden needs.

And peat's higher acidity helps balance compost's low acidity, resulting in a pH level that's beneficial for most plants.

This organic blend provides balanced nutrition for the soil - a recipe to help your garden thrive throughout the entire growing sea-

For more information on "How to: with Compost," send a unstamped, self-addressed business-size envelope to Peat Moss, Box 385102, Minneapolis, MN, 55438. You can also visit their Web site at #www.peatmoss.com or email them at cspma@peat-



'Take Care' When Fixing Up the Home

Spring home-improvement projects can be exciting, especially when they involve changing the décor of the home. Whether you plan to make a minor change, like hanging new drapes, or you have something extensive in mind, it is important to consider your health and safety in the process.

Following Instructions

- Always read manufacturers' operating instructions before using any equipment.
- Make sure that you use any materials or chemicals safely, complying with statutory legislation regulating the use of hazardous substances. Follow advice on labels carefully before making solutions or mixtures.

Using equipment

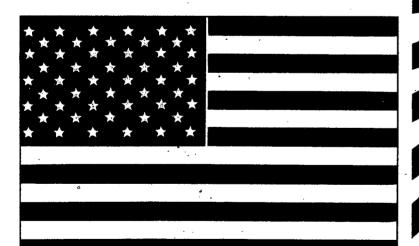
 Make sure that ladders and stepladders are in good working order, and platforms have been constructed safely to prevent injury from falling.

Electricity

- Disconnect any electrical equipment when it is not in use, even for a short time.
- Switch off the power supply when decorating around switches or wall outlets and when cleaning them.
- Consider using a groundfault interrupter to protect against electrocution.

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- Wear safety glasses to protect eyes from flying debris.
- Wear gloves to protect skin from injury and irritation.
- Keep all chemicals and tools away from children and out of the way of corridors in your work area.
- Keep pets secure in another room so they don't wander in.



Celebrate Patriotism in the Garden

People are feeling very patriotic these days and are displaying flags everywhere, from their houses to their cars to their clothing. Another way to show off your patriotism is in your garden. Decorate with a "flag" of flowers. Use edging to define the patterns. Here are some examples: Stripes of red and white impatiens and a box of blue lobelia can create the American flag; red petunias can be set against sweet alyssum for the Canadian flag.

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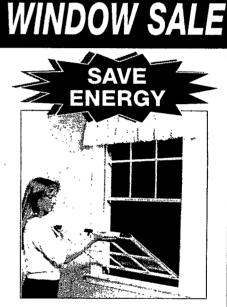
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Dishing the Dirt about Gardening Soil

BY JOE SHERINSKI

(MS) — Now that summer is just around the corner, it's the perfect time to improve the quality of native backyard soil and help give your plants that extra boost of nutrition they need.

Unfortunately, many gardeners do not know the importance of soil conditioning, so The Scotts Company has developed two new products, along with helpful tips, to help gardeners create the perfect garden soil this sea-

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To start, there are significant differences between backyard soil, topsoil and garden soil. Gardeners throughout history have misused these terms and used the improper medium when planting. In clarifying their differences, Scotts and Miracle-Gro guarantee the best planting season ever.

BACKYARD SOIL

Native backyard soil tends to lose the essential vitamins

and minerals that healthy plants, flowers, vegetables and lawns need to grow after years of abuse from exposure to the sun, overwatering, and compaction. In addition, water absorption, saturation and even water distribution are greatly reduced, leaving an inhospitable, barren soil for plants to live in.

TOPSOIL

Topsoil should be utilized as a base material for filling holes, and leveling lawns, gardens and beds. Topsoil improves the condition of the native soil by replenishing the organic content of the soil as well as reducing shrinkage and providing a stable environment for your gardens and lawns. Although topsoil is an essential foundation for gardens and lawns it tends to be heavy, lack porosity and water retention, and is low in nutrition. Ideally, topsoil should be used in conjunction with high-nutrient garden

GARDEN SOIL

Garden soil should be used to improve and condition soils in beds and gardens. Ideally, bagged garden soil should be mixed with native backyard soil or topsoil to achieve a desired growing medium that is rich and nutritious for your plants. The high organic matter content in store-bought garden soil helps improve soil structure by making heavy clay soils more loose and porous, as well as increasing benefit

SPRING IS THE PERFECT TIME to improve the quality of backyard soil and give your plants the extra boost of nutrition they need.

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cial micro-organism and earthworm activity. The added nutrients give plants the quick start that is required for a beautiful garden. In addition, some premium garden soils have added a wetting agent to allow the soil to absorb and disperse water more evenly.

Miracle-Groß Garden Soil for Flowers & Vegetables and Miracle-Groß Garden Soil for Trees, Shrubs & Ornamentals help gardens thrive by improving the condition of outdoor soils and providing plants with essential nutrients that topsoil and backyard soil lack.

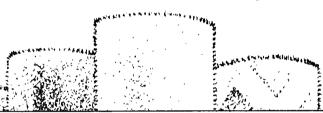
Both products are available nationwide in 1 cubic foot bags for \$3.33, and are designed to provide superior results when planting out-

door flowers, vegetable, trees and shrubs in native soils. These two unique formulas were scientifically developed to replicate the types of soil that these plants will naturally prosper in.

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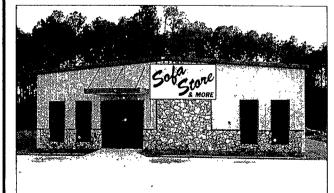


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Gardening in containers also provides the added benefit of allowing you to tend to each plant's individual needs and even add or subtract plants at will. Grouping plants in separate pots is the simplest way to create a display. Mixed-flower or foliage arrangements in a single large planter require more forethought when planting, but offer a bunch of creative possibilities. For example, although soil mix tends to dry out less quickly in large pots, it is very important that all of the plants grow at a similar pace and have similar requirements for sunlight, water and food.

Most herbs make ideal container plants. Herbs are fairly easy to grow, their aromatic leaves add gently spiced scents to window sills or patios. Fruits and vegetables demand more time and care, but are no less wonderful to have around. Following are a few more helpful hints' for growing herbs, fruits and vegetables in containers. courtesv of "American Horticultural Society Practical Guides: Container Gardening" (DK), by Peter Robinson.

Fruit

Generally, fruit in containbe included in an

ornamental garden design more easily than vegetables. For example, you can create a Mediterranean look on a sunny deck or patio by growing figs and citrus trees in pots, although they may need to be protected during the winter in a green house or conservatory. (Tip: In cool climates, citrus trees will be ornamental rather than productive.)

Consider what kinds of containers will best suit what you want to grow. Fruit trees need large containers that can hold enough soil mix to act as a buffer for roots in dry conditions. Strawberry jars, for example, are decorative, space-saving way to grow strawberry plants. Regular watering is essential while fruit is developing.

Vegetables

The best vegetables for containers are shallow-rooted, compact, quick-maturing varieties. To create a minicollage effect, plant more than one type of vegetable in a single, large container; combine for instance, a frillyleaved lettuce like "Lolla Rossa" with feathery-topped carrots. As a bonus, growing a combination of plants can help ward off pests, which are less attracted to mixed scents than strong, single

For a little fun with a sunny, sheltered corner, try some of the colorful varieties of eggplant and peppers. They are tender and need a long growing season to produce anything worthwhile, but many seed suppliers offer an exciting range, sometimes as small plants.

Herbs

The greatest advantage of planting herbs in pots is that



'Contained' doesn't mean 'confined' when it comes to gardening in containers. Just about any location, big or small can benefit from well-placed window boxes, pots or planters.

you can easily position them tainer of its own or it will in a convenient spot on a window sill or near to the house. Placing an herb container by the back door, for example, will allow you to water the plants and gather foliage eas-

Be sure that mixed species chosen for the same pot all enjoy the same conditions. Many herbs are Mediterranean origin and require plenty of sunshine and good drainage to thrive and survive wet winters. Thyme marjoram, rosemary, basil, bay and sage all need sun, which also improves their flavor.

Rosemary and bay need shelter, too. Chives, parsley, chervil and mint grow well in light shade; give mint a conovertake its neighbors. Suitable potting mixtures include a soil/peat mix or a

Mediterranean herbs, add some sharp sand.



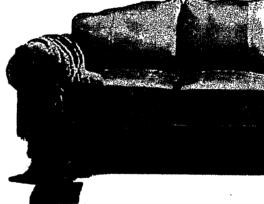


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Landscaping Guide for Potential Home Buyers

If you are considering buying a new home, then you've probably already started your research. According to Mark Whitelaw of the Texas Landscape Association, although most prospective home buyers are sure to check out the sizes of rooms, functions of appliances and the quality of the plumbing fixtures of homes they are considering, too few check the landscape for potential costly problems, which can take some of the excitement out of getting a new home.

Before you enter the whirlwind experience of buying a home, consult Whitelaw's checklist for oft-overlooked landscaping problems which may help you negotiate a better buying price, or cause you to pass up a house altogether.

DRAINAGE

Improper drainage can lead to weakened foundations, loose facing materials,



A HOME'S LANDSCAPING can greatly affect its value.

rotted supporting wall studs and base plates, structural damage from insects and poor growing conditions for landscape plants. In short, drainage is one of the most important landscaping concerns you should consider before purchasing a home.

- Be particularly aware of surrounding terrain which may cause rainwater runoff into your landscape.
- Look for cracks on interior and exterior walls and along the foundation's perimeter for clues to

drainage problems.

- Check rain gutters for good drainage and adequate size to handle the rainfall in the area.
- Be sure that solid surface areas like driveways, patios and walks are graded away from the house.

RETAINING WALLS

The main purpose of retaining walls is to prevent unnecessary soil erosion. Replacing a retaining wall

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AZALEAS DO THEIR BEST in acidic soil. Work in some Canadian peat moss around existing plants to ensure the proper soil pH.

Practice First Aid for your Azaleas

(MS) — Do your azaleas exhibit signs of sickly yellow leaves? If so, they are likely suffering from lack of iron due to a high alkaline soil pH. Canadian sphagnum peat moss may be just what the plant doctor ordered.

The ideal pH level for healthy azaleas is 4.5 to 5.5. A soil pH test will determine the acidity of your azalea bed and is a measurement for prescribing treatment.

A quick remedy is an overthe-counter iron product applied to the leaves according to directions. But like most pain relievers, it is only a short-term fix. Other treatments must be done to cure the alkalinity problem.

Sphagnum peat moss applied an inch thick as a top dressing and lightly worked into the soil is ideal. Canadian peat bogs are normally quite acidic ranging 3.5 to 4.5. The acidic nature of this harvested product is a plus when used in combination with acid-loving plants. In plantings with thick shallow roots, mix sphagnum peat with soil at a 50/50 ratio and place on the surface up to 2 inches thick. Covering the peat/soil mix with a shredded hardwood bark better holds the mulch in place. With time the peat helps to lower the soil's pH, allowing the plants to absorb nutrients like iron. If the pH test results are over 6.5 it is advised to mix a soil

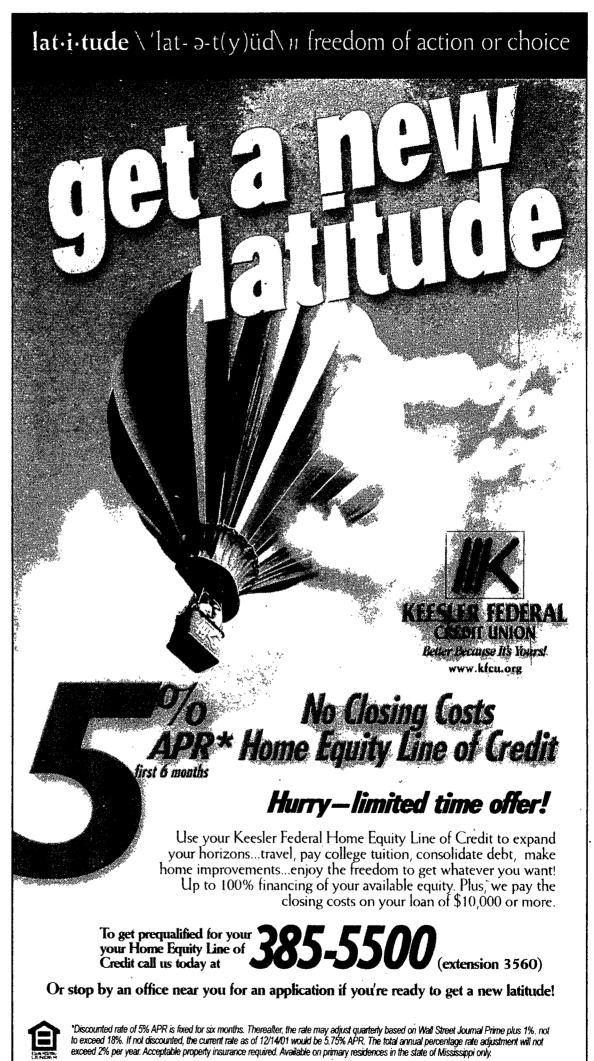
sulfur product according to directions with the peat moss

In new plantings, incorporate the sphagnum with the existing soil at a ratio of one part peat to one part soil. Azaleas perform best in moist organic soils that drain well. Sphagnum acts like a sponge keeping the right blend of air and moisture around the plant roots. Likewise, peat loosens clay particles and binds sandy particles providing an ideal blend of organic material.

Rest assured that the Canadian peat industry is taking steps to avoid depletion of this natural resource. Less than .02 percent of all bogs are being harvested millions of acres are preserved and can never be harvested. On virgin peat bogs, peat is accumulating 50 times the rate of harvest due to the enormity of the bogs. If that isn't comforting enough, there is cutting-edge technology developed for the industry that enables producers to restore harvested bogs back to ecologically balanced wetland systems within 3 to 5

You can't find a better prescription for what's ailing your azaleas than an application of environmentally safe Canadian Sphagnum Peat Moss

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Smart electrical upgrades for home remodelers

If your home needs a makeover, or you're simply planning to upgrade your decor, appliances or any other aspect of your living quarters, now is the best time to consider upgrading your home electrical system, as well.

Home repair and remodeling projects often require

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as the electrician is on hand, you can usually save the cost of a service call by adding to the job as needed If you haven't planned electrical upgrades, a quick look around your house might convince you that you should.

some electrical work. As long

Do you have receptacle outlets overburdened by multi-plug strips? Are your lamps and fixtures connected to extension cords? Does every three-prong plug need a two prong adapter? These and other warning signs indicate a real need for electrical improvements.

Unfortunately, many homeowners wait until a problem occurs, and only then do they think to call in an electrician.

But there's a long list of reasons why you should inspect and improve your electrical system before an accident or service breakdown occurs.

Here are a few points to consider, according to the Copper Development Association:

• Is your service adequate? Many older homes still operate with seriously

outdated 60 amp electrical service and sometimes with just a few fuses or circuit breakers to protect the entire system.

Newer homes often have 100 amp service panels, but even this minimum requirement set by many current codes may fall short of your present or future needs. Consider upgrading service to 200 amps.

Size for extra demand. If you're installing a major electrical appliance, like an electric wall oven, a microwave oven, a doublewide refrigerator or central air-conditioning, you'd better think about the additional power it may need. While a salesman or installer might tell you that your system can handle the load, be smart and ask your electrician for a second opinion.

• What's the correct wire size? Electricians often install 14-AWG wiring during renovations, which is adequate for most home uses.

But heavier 12-AWG copper wire is a better choice because it's more energy-efficient, and you won't have to upgrade all over again if you install appliances or fixtures with greater electrical loads.

The cost difference for upgrading to 12-AWG copper wire is minimal. If you're adding a room extension or building a new home, it's a good idea to install 12-AWG wire (or larger, depending on the needs of each circuit).

• Consider special needs. Different rooms in a home serve different purposes an important consideration when you're planning improvements, especially where electrical work is involved.

Family rooms, home offices and home theaters generally need more circuits, more outlets, and built-in or plug-in power-surge

protection.

Outlets in kitchens, baths, garages and outdoor areas require ground-fault circuit interrupters, or GFCIs. And you don't have to wait for a major renovation to add protection you can install many safety devices yourself, such as outlet caps, switch guards and wire shields in nurseries and children's playrooms.

• And finally, don't forget your communications wiring needs – make sure telephone wiring is rated Category 5 or better to assure speedy data transmission, high-quality voice service and convenient installation as you add telephone-based services in the future.

Can your home wiring handle the load?

Home theaters, home offices, whirlpool tubs, video games, rechargeable tools, appliances and personal computers – the landscape of our lives has changed dramatically in the past few years, reshaped by new and ever more sophisticated electrical products.

But our need for increased power to operate these devices has, in many cases, outpaced our homes' ability to serve and protect us.

It's hard to believe that, not long ago, the standard electrical service installed in most homes was only 60 amps (for comparison, consider that many central airconditioning systems alone can draw up to 40 amps, and electric ranges often need 50 amps).

But 60-amp service was once considered sufficient power for all of the plug-in appliances and permanently wired fixtures a typical home possessed. Of course, those were also the days before televisions in every bedroom. multiple-computer households, and the proliferation of electric appliances for teenagers to use on their hair

Today the required minimum for new homes is 100-

amp service, according to the current edition of the National Electrical Code. But even this modern "standard" may fall far short of adequate for many families now, and in the not-too distant future.

"If you're a smart homeowner, you want to go well above the minimums. You want to add more circuits and more capacity," advises David Brender of the Copper Development Association.

A member of one of the NEC's Code-making advisory panels, Brender, along with other industry experts, helps to review and propose changes that keep the electrical code up to date with improvements in technology and changing lifestyles.

Brender is quick to point out that, like all construction and safety codes, the NEC sets baseline standards only. Homeowners can, and often should, exceed the Code recommendations when they build, repair or renovate.

For example, anyone expanding the electrical capacity in their home would be wise to consider installing a higher-capacity panel 150 or 200 amps if they have a growing family, or expect fur-



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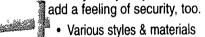
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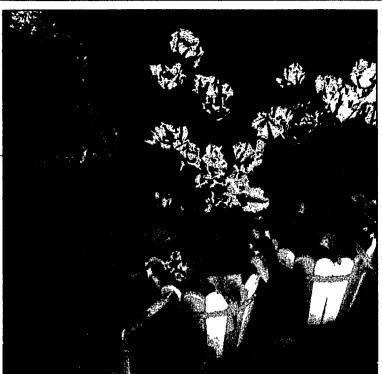
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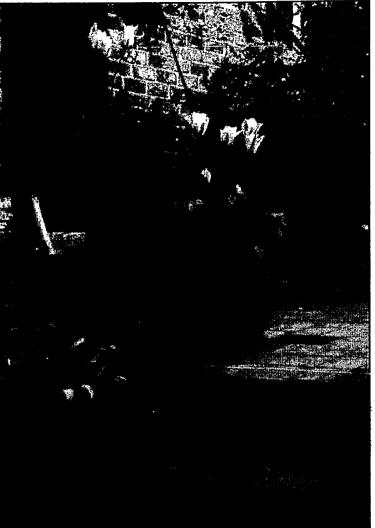
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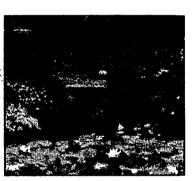
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Spring Bulbs: Steps make a fine alternative if you do not have space for spring bedding. These tulips are grown with pansies, a rhododendron and a variegated hosta.

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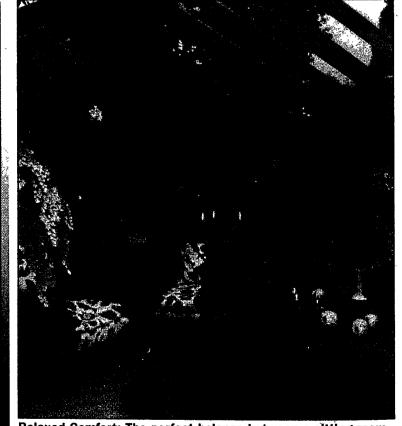


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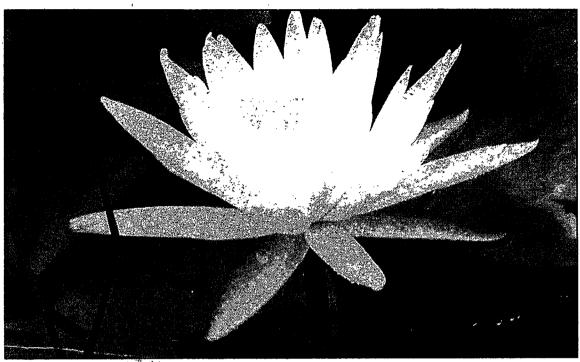
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esign a Beautiful Water Garden at Home

The term "gardening" encompasses much more these days than it used to. Plants can poke their heads out of old tennis shoes or buckets and be bordered by fine china, or you may prefer a more traditional garden complete with a rose-covered trellis.

One trend that is springing up in many more gardens is the use of water as a visual focal point. A pond stocked with vividly-colored koi, a trickling fountain or even a modest birdbath can all add a unique appeal to your garden retreat. Here are some tips to creating a beautiful water garden, according to Alex and Judy Munro, featured in Flower Gardens magazine.

1. Select the site carefully. Avoid low-lying areas that collect water. Hillsides lend themselves to waterfalls. Just put a basin of water at the top that gushes over the



WATER LILLIES are just one beautiful feature of a personal water garden.

hill, slashing into a pond

the pond's shape on the of smaller ones.

ground using a garden hose. A few large sweeping curves 2. Lay out an outline of are more pleasing than a lot

3. Dig! You can use a bobcat or a backhoe if you have one, but these are necessary only for larger ponds. A shov-

el and a little elbow grease work just fine for small proj-

4. Leave shelves of earth in the sides of the hold to make a place for setting the beautiful grasses that will make your pond come to life. Only lilies and lotus grow on the pond's bottom. The pond's marginal plants tie into the surrounding garden's perennials and annuals.

5. Line the bottom with

6. Use a foam sheet purchased from a garden center to line the sides of the pond. or use rubber roofing, which is less expensive and works just as well to protect the pond liner from holes.

7. Install a pond liner. These are heavy enough to conform easily to the pond's shape. Fold the corners just like you would pie dough.

8. Finish pond edges with

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Water Works: Pressure Washer Shopping Tips

last of the daisies, turn your garden hose into a cleaning machine. With the help of a pressure washer, you could spend more time admiring your cleaning effort than actually doing it.

"A pressure washer basically transforms an ordinary garden hose from a slowmoving stream to a canyoncleaning river," says Tom Kraeutler, host of the nationally syndicated "Money Pit" radio show.

Finding a selection of pressure washers is easy; dozens of models are available at home improvement centers. Selecting the right pressure washer, however, requires some homework.

The Internet is a great place to start, according to Kraeutler. For example, Coleman Powermate's Web (www.colemanpowermate.com) features a "Water Wizard" to help you find the perfect pressure washer based on the types of jobs and size of the area you want to clean.

Kraeutler also recommends focusing on the "Three Ps" when shopping for a pres-

After you've watered the sure washer — water pressure, Gallons Per Minute and product support.

WATER PRESSURE

How much water pressure you'll need depends on what you are trying to accomplish. For example, a typical garden hose emits 40 pounds per square inch (PSI) of water pressure.

"A garden hose can wash away winter dirt and dust, but it doesn't pack enough power to actually clean anything," says Kraeutler. "You still have to resort to oldfashioned elbow grease if you want your car or home to shine.

The most basic light-duty pressure washer (1800-2100 PSI) is 37 times more powerful and just as versatile as a garden hose. It can clean cars, boats, patio furniture, siding and sidewalks with less time, effort and water.

According to Kraeutler, you'll need a medium-duty (2200-2700 PSI) unit if you plan to blast away grease and grime or a heavy-duty (3,000-3,500 PSI) model if you plan to remove stubborn concrete stains or strip surfaces for repainting or restaining.

GALLONS PER MINUTE

According to Kraeutler, pressure washer shoppers sometime focus too much attention on PSI and overlook another key acronym -GPM, or Gallons Per Minute.

As a general rule, the greater the GPM, the more surface area a pressure washer can clean. For example, a 2000-PSI model with a 2 GPM flow rate can clean approximately 5 to 7 square feet in one minute. On the other hand, if the same model had a 3 GPM flow rate, it could clean 8 to 10 square feet in the same amount of

"If you have a couple of mid-sized jobs, you'll definitely appreciate a larger unit with additional cleaning power," says Kraeutler. "You can't expect to clean large areas in a reasonable timeframe using a high-pressured water pick.'

PRODUCT SUPPORT

While price is an important contributor to the purchasing decision, Kraeutler

 Thanks to the internet, selecting the SIZE DOES MATTER right pressure washer for your home is a snap.

points out that product support is just as important as the bottom line.

"There are dozens of companies that assemble pressure washers, but you should purchase one from a highquality manufacturer that stands behind its products," says Kraeutler.

"You're not just buying a pressure washer, you're also buying quality and peace of

mind."

Coleman Powermate, for example, operates a consumer hotline (800) 445-1805, 24 hours a day, seven days a week to answer customer questions. In addition, the company has a network of nearly 3,000 service centers to help customers with any problems. www.colemanpowermate.com.

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Checklist For Spring Repairs

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 Chimneys — clean and inspect flues.

• Siding and trim — Wash siding, touch-up damaged paint and repair loose siding • Eaves, downspouts and

drains - Clean gutters, straighten and repair damaged downspouts and gutters. Flush downspouts.

• Roofing - Repair damaged shingles and flashing.

• Windows - Clean windows and screens. Inspect them for damage and repair.

• Pests and birds — Check vents, chimneys and other crannies for bird and insect

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When you're giving your home a spring facelift, iguring out how much paint to buy can be a major headache.

Easy Formula For Estimating How Much Paint to Buy

Painting is one of the easiest ways to give a room a new look. Yet, before you embark on the project, it's a good idea to learn approximately how much paint you will need for the project. There's nothing more frustrating than running out of paint in the middle of a project and leftover paint can take up a lot of room in the basement or garage.

Here is an easy guide to estimating the amount of paint you'll need to purchase for a ceiling or room project, courtesy of www.dummies.com, the Web site of the popular "For Dummies series."

To estimate the amount of paint you need in order to cover the walls of a room, add together the length of all the walls and then multiply the number by the height of the room, from floor to ceiling. The number you get is the room's square footage. Is that math class coming back to vou now? Now you have to determine how much of that square footage is paintable surface area. Because you use a different paint on the doors and windows, subtract those areas from the room total. No sweat, just subtract 20 square feet for each door and 15 square feet for each average-sized window in the

room. You end up with a number that is close to the actual wall area you have to cover with paint.

In general, you can expect 1 gallon of paint to cover about 350 square feet. You need slightly more than a gallon if the walls are unpainted drywall, which absorbs more of the paint. You also need to consider whether to paint more than one coat. If you're painting walls that are unfinished, heavily patched, or dark in color, plan on applying two coats of paint.

When painting a dark color, pros often add a color tint to the white primer. Tints for both latex or alkyd paints are available at most paint stores. For best results, choose a tint shade that's closest to the top coat color.

Now for the clincher of the math problem. Divide the paintable wall area by 350 (the square-foot coverage in each gallon can) to find the number of gallons of paint you need for the walls. You can round uneven numbers; if the remainder is less than .5, order a couple of quarts of wall paint to go with the gallons; if the remainder is more than .5, order an extra gallon. Of course, buying in bulk

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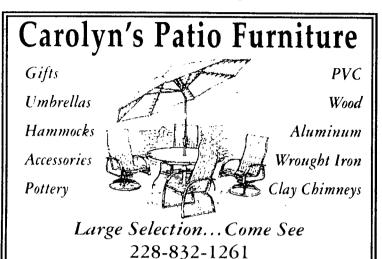
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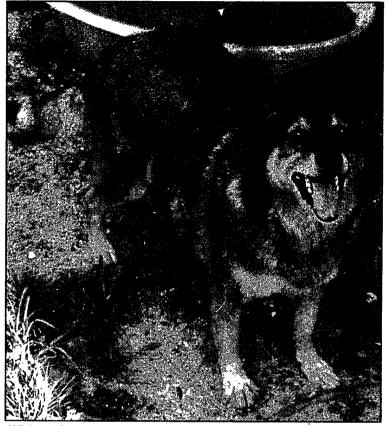
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With patience and preparation, you can prevent a digging dog from destroying your garden.

tling your nerves? Well, you're not alone. As long as people have been coexisting with canines, they've been facing the antics of these furry friends (or foes) as it

You've seen what your dog can do to your expensive leather shoes and your new sofa, so it should come as no surprise that he or she can be equally "creative" in the yard. And because dogs don't

understand improper behavior until they are corrected properly, patience and training is required to make the garden a place for both of

• Dogs dig as a part of their nature. Rather than throw a temper tantrum next time Fifi tunnels out a trench that seems to reach clear to China, figure out a feasible solution. Fill in holes that she frequently visits with discriminate and they don't bricks or coarse stone. Once

the dog reaches this layer, she will quickly feel the uncomfortable scrape and move on. Or, cover-up troublesome spots with planters or patio stones. Dogs also do not like to sniff where their scents are most prevalent. Therefore, by burying your dog's waste in spots she is known to sniff, you might also alleviate the problem.

In some cases you may just have to give in. If your dog is a natural for tearing up plants and ripping off branches, select varieties that are more hardy - ones that can take some roughhousing. Or, choose prickly plants that also are attractive to you so that once pinch will drive poochie away. You may also have to remove temptations like flower .pots that always get knocked over, or make a decorative walkway out of your dog's favorite path through the lawn.

 Provide an alternative outlet for your dog's energy. Fence off an area where he or she can just have fun. Include a sand pile just for digging and some safe toys.

• Don't be afraid to reprimand. Dogs respond well to things they find annoying or unpleasant. A well aimed water gun, the clanking of pennies in a jar, or as a last resort, an electrical fence can discourage naughty behavior. And above all, a simple "NO" in a stern voice does wonders for stopping Fido in his

Natural Landscaping Helps the Environment

People often choose to beautify their landscape because of the pleasure nature brings. However, several of the things they use to create and maintain an appealing landscape can actually have a detrimental effect on the environment. Pesticides, fertilizers and even gas-operated lawnmowers may pollute drinking water and the air, according to the Union of Concerned Scientists (USC). Here is the organization's tips for better and more natural gardening practices:

1. Landscape to minimize mowing, watering and fertilizing needs:

 Plant grass/flower mixtures that grow slowly.

• Switch to alternative ground covers.

· Grow less grass and more shrubs and trees.

• Cultivate plants native to your area.

Practice companion planting for flowers and vegetables.

2. Enrich your soil by adding compost. For extra nutrients, use organic fertilizers like bonemeal and fish emulsion.

3. Control weeds, and improve soil even more, with organic mulches.

4. To reduce pests, cultivate plants that attract beneficial insects like ladybugs.

5. Keep your mower in good repair.

· Change oil regularly.

· Clean or replace air filters regularly.

• Get periodic tune-ups.

Maintain sharp blades.

6. Consider manual yard tools to reduce the amount of energy used and pollution

Environmental News: Today's Lawnmowers — Low on Emissions, High on Helping the Environment

(MS) Nowadays, the country is more concerned than ever about environmental issues. Like automobiles, lawnmowers must meet strict emissions regulations, but that's where the comparison ends. Past attempts to compare automobile emissions to lawnmower emissions have resulted in published information that has been misstated, outdated, or simply not true.

ITS TIME TO CLEAR THE AIR ABOUT LAWN-MOWER EMISSIONS

Previously distributed information stated that "one hour of grass cutting equals 100 miles worth of auto pollution." "This is an unrealistic. inaccurate comparison between lawnmowers and automobile emissions," states Bill Harley, President and CEO of the Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI). "Outdated and incorrect information continues to blur the emissions issue. We want the public to be informed that comparing lawnmower and automobile emissions is just not a reasonable comparison. Consumers also need to be aware of the advances in technology over the last ten years."

According to the OPEI, the industry's trade association, these types of comparisons are misleading for these reasons: an average automobile is driven approximately 14,000 miles in one year, and uses hundreds of gallons of gasoline; while a typical walk behind lawnmower is run on the average of 25 hours per year and uses only a few gallons of gasoline. It is also important to note that the estimated number of lawnmowers in the United States today is approximately 38 million, compared to the 159 million automobiles on the road.

Another inaccurate claim is that after two years the average lawnmower will produce 34 times as many smogforming emissions as an

average passenger car. The fact is that on an annual basis, new automobiles generate 10 times more emis-

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generate 20 pounds of smogforming emissions in two
years, compared to a new
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would generate 2.1 pounds of
emissions in two years.

One fact that is often overlooked is that lawn & garden equipment is only a very small part of the EPA's nonroad engine category, which includes marine engines, construction and agricultural equipment, industrial engines, airport service equipment and other commercial sources. Actually, the total contribution of smogforming emissions from all of today's lawn and garden

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In addition, using outdoor power equipment is a timesaving way to be environmentally helpful — like using a lawnmower for mulching grass clippings to lessen the burden on landfills, or recycling yard waste into compost with the help of a chippershredder. The industry has also developed new, specially designed fuel cans that help reduce emissions caused by spilled fuel. Consumers should use these new cans and take care when refilling fuel. "Don't spill when you fill" is the phrase to remember when gassing up outdoor power equipment.

For a free helpful guide to Environmentally Helpful Outdoor Power Equipment, write to OPEI at 341 South Patrick Street, Old Town Alexandria, VA 22314. For more information about lowemission engines, visit OPEI's Web site, CyberLawn, at http://opei.mow.org.

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Children Shouldn't Toy With Riding Mowers

(MS) - Each spring, as know this equipment pro- are absolutely not built for the flowers blossom and the grass begins to grow, millions of people follow the annual path to lawn and garden care. Friendly neighbors haul out their mowers, lawn tractors, edgers, tillers and chipper/shredders because they

vides the best and easiest route to beautifying the landscape. Unfortunately, some also haul out old, unsafe operating habits and this is where they unknowingly turn down a dangerous path toward the possibility of accidents, especially if children are in the work area.

One of the first and foremost safety precautions for parents is never to take children for rides on lawn & garden tractors and riding mowers. In fact, the tendency to give a child a ride on a lawn or garden tractor is a careless and dangerous practice that needs to be stopped.

Bill Harley, Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI) President and CEO says, "Riding mowers are designed to cut grass, and they come with many safety features which are provided for a single operator. They

passengers.

MISLEADING MEDIA

OPEI has long been concerned about photographs that mislead readers by showing unsafe habits. Each spring, someone inevitably snaps a "cute" photo of a child on the lap of a parent operating a riding mower and some of these photos end up in the newspaper. OPEI encourages readers not to be influenced by this type of coverage. Simply stated, never take children for rides on riding mowers. Bill Harley agrees, "This type of coverage is unintentionally irresponsible because it sends the wrong message."

Another very important message is to keep children away from the work area when using any kind of outdoor power equipment. Do not allow children to stand near (or walk behind) mowers, riding mowers, trimmers, edgers, chain saws, chipper/shredders and snow throwers. When using outdoor power equipment, keep children inside. If any child does enter the work area, turn off the machine immedi-

MOM, DAD, CAN I HELP?

Young children often express an interest in helping mommy or daddy with



SAFETY FIRST. Keep children away from all outdoor power equipment, and never give them rides on riding mowers.

chores. This is a normal part of their development. Make sure children understand the importance of safety precautions while helping out. Ask your kids to pick up debris to clear the area to make it safe for mowing. Emphasize the importance of this job by calling it "Safety Patrol," explaining that toys or rocks may be thrown hundreds of feet by a lawn mower and injure someone or they may damage the machine. Smaller children can make a game out of the number of sticks, toys, rocks and any other debris that might be on the lawn.

After completing the "Safety Patrol," parents should send children inside to watch from a window and make sure the job is done correctly.

This removes your chil-

dren from the work area while giving them an "important" job – keeping an eye on mom or dad.

SAFETY SUMMARY

To once again highlight important safety recommendations, the OPEI offers the following advice:

 Always read the owner's manual before operating any equipment.

• Keep children away from the mowing area, preferably indoors.

• Be alert. If children enter the mowing area, turn off the mower.

 Before going into reverse, look behind and down for small children.

• NEVER take a child for a ride on a mower.

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2. Your mini roses will arrive on your doorstep already growing in small pots. Unpack them immediately.

3. Repot in a 6-inch container, or plant in the ground as soon as possible. Remove the plant from its pot and insert both of your thumbs into the bottom of the rootball and gently separate the roots. You'll end up with the soil and roots shaped like an upside-down "V". Place the "V" over a cone of soil in the planting hole, and backfill the hole. Water the soil thoroughly to settle.

4. Always keep the soil moist. Don't ever let it dry out.

5. Don't fertilize your rose

until it has started to develop new growth. Then fertilize weekly with a good all-purpose fertilizer mixed at half strength.

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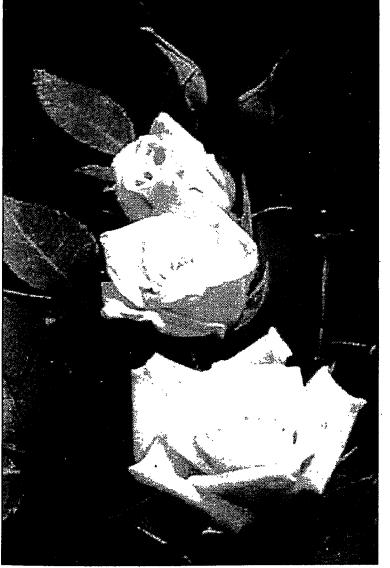
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An attractive and highperformance exterior depends on the skill of the

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in the future. (You can simply

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Wiring

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rectly, even the best-looking siding will suffer because it does not look straight on the wall and may actually show buckling. Additionally. improper nailing - nails in the wrong place, too many nails, or too few - can compromise the performance levels reported by the manufac-

You can insure the best possible look and performance from your siding in two ways: by finding a profession-

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encouraged to think ahead

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Homeowners who want to

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CHOOSE SIDING THAT HELPS INSURE A **QUALITY JOB**

All vinyl siding products typically have nail slots and locks that hold the panels together. These features vary from product to product. But they all count on a skilled and experienced installer for

extremely important. Many siding manufacturers recommend that siding be nailed every 16 inches and that those nails penetrate at least three-quarters of an inch. In most cases, the only way to be certain of such an installation is to nail into the

There are many benefits to this kind of installation. First, it helps insure that the siding will meet optimum performance levels. For CertainTeed's example, MonogramTM siding is tested to withstand windload pressures up to 180 mph with nails and 235 mph with sta-

most vulnerable to damage, which in turn leads to arc faults.

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FIND THE RIGHT **INSTALLER FOR YOU**

Often, the best leads for finding an experienced and skillful contractor come from friends who have had their homes re-sided. Ask around. But check with your local siding distributor or the national siding manufacturers, too.

proper installation.

Many new products are engineered with nail slots that are always perfectly aligned with construction standards for stud spacing whether the studs are 16 inches or 24 inches apart. What's more, each nail slot has a graphic printed under it to make it easy for the contractor to find the repeating

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Next, nailing accurately to the studs is safer. Random nails that may penetrate the space in the wall between studs could strike wires or pipes, with dangerous and costly consequences.

Further, spacing the nails as recommended is designed

to help insure an attractive, straight-on-the-wall appearance. Which means you get the true wood-look of the siding you've chosen - for decades.

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Paint -- how much to buy?

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The following examples walk you through the calculations for determining how much paint you need for a 14-by-20-foot room that's 8 feet tall and has two doors and two average size windows.

Ceiling paint estimator

Use the following formula to estimate the amount of ceiling paint you need. Double the result if the ceiling requires two coats.

1. Multiply the length of the ceiling by its width to find its area. $14 \times 20 = 280$ square feet

2. Divide that number by 350 (the estimated square feet covered per gallon) to figure out how many gallons of paint you need. $280 \div 350 = .8$

For this example, you want to buy 1 gallon of ceiling paint for a single coat.

Wall paint estimator

Use the following formula to estimate the amount of wall paint you need. Double the result if the walls require two coats.

1. Add together the length of each wall. 14 + 20 + 14 + 20 = 68 feet

2. Multiply the sum by the wall height to find the total wall area. $68 \times 8 = 544$ square feet.

Did you know?

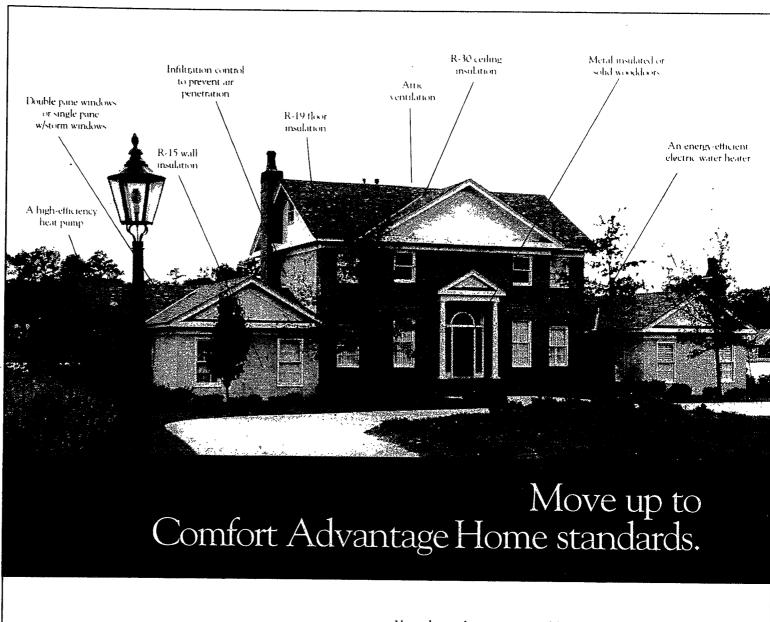
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the actual amount of wall area you're painting.

544 - 70 = 474 square feet 4. Divide this figure by the

paint coverage (350 square feet per gallon), and the result is the number of gallons to purchase. $474 \div 350 = 1.4$

For this example, you want to buy 1 gallon and 2 quarts of paint for a single





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can cost you tens of thousands of dollars, so check these items carefully:

• What type of materials are used in the retaining wall and how old are they? Creosote railroad ties last

about 15 years; CCA-treated landscape timbers about 20 years. Masonry can last for centuries if properly installed, but missing mortar may mean the wall is struc-

• Walls higher than 4 feet should be engineered by a professional. Are engineering drawings available and certified by an approving authori-

Is there adequate drainage through the walls? Solid masonry requires "weep" (drainage) holes equally spaced along the base of the wall.

FENCES

Fences are the ideal tool for security and privacy. Some municipal codes require locking fences for homes with swimming pools. Here are some other questions to keep in mind:

- What is the general repair of the fence? Are posts, rails, pickets and hardware free of rot and rust? Are wood products made from rotresistant timber?
 - Is there a clear space

between the bottom of the fence and the soil's surface? Wood fencing will wick moisture into the pickets if they come in contact with the soil and metal fencing may rust more quickly.

TREES, SHRUBS, **GROUNDCOVERS AND LAWNS**

With new homes, many landscape plantings (called softscape) may be too close to the foundation. This can cause future problems when the plants (and roots) mature.

- Full-sized, quality landscape trees should be no closer than 15 feet to the foundation or concrete drives and walks. Fast-growing and shallow-rooted trees should be much further.
- Watch for messy fruit-, nut- or seed-producing trees close to driveways, walk-

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ways, pools, ponds and patios, or plants that can outgrow their locations.

OTHER THINGS TO **CONSIDER**

Water - Pools, fountains, ponds and bird baths are attractive features for your landscape, but they may also require a lot of maintenance. Check these features carefully to decide whether you want the additional effort and expense.

• Lighting - Lighting can provide security and beauty, but some systems can cost a lot of money if repairs are needed.

• Unwanted landscape visitors - Some environments are conducive to unwanted visitors from nature. Your potential home could be visited by deer, raccoons, coyotes and other wildlife.

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10. Install a filter and hook

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and on the pond's bottom.

12. Enjoy!

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